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Verse or Doggerel?: Outburst of Hostile Spirit

To the Editor of the
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Sir,—It is difficult to reply to "Ega" with a serene equanimity of temper. He apparently takes such delight in his own rant that he begins with an "outburst" and seems ever more and more reluctant to leave off. He might as easily have left his prose (or, does he call it verse?) unwritten as I did not have him in mind when I wrote my letter.

Had "Ega" merely quoted certain passages from authorities in support of his contention, I would have accepted them with only a moderate growl. But when he seizes the opportunity to indulge in an unprovoked tirade against me and my own views, he must be prepared for a candid reply.

I do not doubt that he has made the best possible use of his natural gifts, but it is certainly not my fault if he has not made his way in the field of poetry. He writes like a man who is so obsessed with the idea that he is the superior of all those whom he meets that he is easily led to overlook the fact that a poem, which bears within itself its own right to existence, will not die. It may even forever haunt all those who like "Ega" refuse to be drawn into that purer atmosphere which overlies the dust and smoke of petty rivalries and material interests.

No one will deny that contemporary verse adequately interprets the finer spirit of science and the drift of social progress, but it is inconceivable that the transmission of one's noblest feelings should be made through the medium of loosely constructed lines without any regard to rhythm and harmony. And that is what I have endeavoured to emphasize. In a period which tends to new experiments in versification, the dividing line between real conquests of novel territory and sheer nonsense becomes hazy and "Ega" has afforded us a living exemplification of the truth of my contention.

Throughout his letter, one recognizes a hostile spirit and the necessity for utterance without any regard for the question whether his opinion is justified, or whether it may have equal value for the impartial world. He overcomes nothing, accomplishes nothing, in fact correctly understands nothing.

J.M.T.

Shanghai, May 3.

The Close Season: Sportsmen and the Pheasants

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—In Sunday morning last, quite a few foreigners went out shooting in the Hungjao area, between the Aerodrome and the little village of Chipao. Three of them were seasoned sportsmen; at least they appeared to be so, with correct apparel, trained dogs, belts full of ammunition, etc., and anybody seeing them could not fail to be impressed with their general appearance. They were out ostensibly for "spring snipe" but when a cock pheasant appeared, two of them fired at it and missed. Their luck was in, however, for a few minutes later another cock appeared, again they fired and again they missed. Nothing daunted they trudged sturdily along and this time a hen appeared on the scene and this time one of them managed to hit the bird, and brought it down among the cheers and congratulation of his "pals."

I wonder whether these would-be sportsmen know that pheasant shooting is prohibited after February on account of "the nesting season." If they did not know that, they should not be permitted to handle a gun and if they did know, then they behaved in a manner which is, to say the least, caddish in the extreme. In plain language, it was nothing but murder.

About ten days ago, when going for a stroll in the country around the Golf Course, I was told by a farmer that some foreigners had shot three pheasants that same morning in that district. I wonder whether these jokers happen to be the same gentlemen, as I doubt very much that Shanghai could hold two lots of caddish hunters.

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North of the Creek: Why Pay Municipal Rates?

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—We pay for house electricity, water and gas, because, we receive them just as before the mess—but why should we pay the taxes? Our homes, if not burnt down, have been looted and smashed during the time guns kept us away, and the S.M.C. could not and cannot do anything in the matter. We have no municipal rickshaws, no trams, no buses, no attention from the Health Office. Some municipal street-sweepers or loafers walk along the streets. Most of the filth they care to pick up they throw on the ruins. No kind of supervision is seen anywhere. No municipal police patrol our streets. True, some Hindus direct the traffic at some busy street corners, but they have nothing much to say. Most of the vehicles have no numbers and they drive as they please. Once I saw myself a big truck approach at a terrible speed. The "mighty" Hindu had been instantly killed where he stood, had he not at the last moment rushed to the side-walk. No "municipal remarks" were made in the book.

Much more could be added to the list, which shows how little, if anything, is left of all that the former S.M.C. régime gave us. Just think of the Garden Bridge, the only gate left for us, the Japanese soldiers rushing against us with their guns ahead and (N.B.) our homes plastered with the notices: "This house is under the protection of the Japanese Landing Party" (Not "of the S.M.C"). Why should we pay taxes to the S.M.C. for our houses on the other side of the Creek? "The S.M.C. is not a charity institution, and if it is, we have no monies for the charities, we need charity ourselves.

One unlucky.

Shanghai, May 3.

A Stenographer's Plea: Required Ability of a Tyro

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—In reply to Steno-typist, might I suggest that no one of this graduate's knowledge of the English language would be accepted as a steno-typist in a firm of any standing, as he appears unable to put even his simple letter together correctly. Steno-typists wheher they have experience, or not, are of little use unless they can take down dictation at 100 words per minute (which is not fast), and type, at least, at 60 words per minute (which is not fast either). Most steno-typists when they finish their training reach a speed of at least 120 words per minute in dictation, and approximately 70 in typing. Experience will make one much faster in typing, but one's speed in dictation depends on whether the "boss" is fast or slow. Some dictate rapidly and others never know what they want to say.

If Steno-typist really wants a job, why does he not go and fight for his country—a far more worth-while thing than sitting in an office hitting an old typewriter, or listening to the "boss" trying to dictate something he isn't sure about? One always learns more out in the open, than shut up in a stuffy old office. Certainly Steno-typist might get killed, but none of us, no matter who we are, are going to leave this world alive, so why worry?

Another Steno-typist.

Shanghai, May 3.

"Sable Cicada": Lack of Understanding

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—In reply to Alopex's criticism of the "Sable Cicada," as far as the valour of the hero, Lu Po, is concerned, it is probably due to his not having fully comprehended the plot. If he will take into consideration that Lu Po was the adopted son of the Minister, his running away is not cowardliness but due to the respect he has for his adopted father.

As the reviewer of the "N.C.D.N." already pointed out, the English translation was not complete, and, therefore, this part of the picture was not understood by the foreign audience. Alopex's criticism of this Chinese picture is very unfair, considering that the Chinese, who do not understand English, see so many foreign pictures which are not translated and these pictures are often much more misunderstood by them than the "Sable Cicada." Yet they never come out in public and ridicule the foreign ways, realizing that this is due to their not being able to follow the story.

Chinese Movie Fan.

Shanghai, May 2.

The Sudeten Question: And the Spirit of a Song

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—How Neither-Nor's assertions have to be valued may be proven by the fact that my figures, to which Neither-Nor referred as "all wrong," were taken from the Encyclopaedia Britannica (11th Edition, as was stated in a footnote on my letter). If the proportion of the Magyars in Hungary within a couple of years should really have been increased from approximately 50 per cent. to approximately 60 per cent. as Neither-Nor's figures show—then this would express better than words can, do how minorities have been treated by those who are now the complainants.

What I tried to point out, based upon my knowledge of both pre-war and after-war conditions, was the following: That the Sudeten Germans made the same mistakes for which they now are blaming the Czechs; that it is only human to wish back good old times, as it is clear that no Czechoslovakian government will be able to fulfil wishes of that kind; that an important obstacle to a reconciliation is the Nazi "all or nothing" principle, that spirit, in short, which is demonstrated by the song "*Heute gehoert uns Deutschland, morgen die ganze Welt*" (Today belongs Germany to us, to-morrow it shall be the whole world), heard now all over Germany.

I dislike this spirit, because I am afraid it could lead to war, and having been in the Great War, I cannot help wishing that another war may be avoided.

Let us hope that the issue of the London parleys will have this result.

Anti-Furor Teutonicus.

Shanghai, May 3.

Japanese Fears for Britain

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—As you ably observed in your today's editorial, the conversations between Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini may not only influence the situation in Europe, but also have great repercussions in the Far East.

God only knows what results the pending Italo-German parleys will bring, but, despite the two Dictators' probable efforts to pacify the situation in Czechoslovakia which is the most dangerous spot in Europe at present, the Sudetic Germans' autonomy movement, if mishandled by the Czech statesmen, will develop into a civil war which may overshadow the Spanish Civil war in its scope and complications.

Indeed Europe is now facing the gravest situation since the Great War. Now supposing that the Sudeten problem will precipitate the European crisis to its ultimate fate, can Great Britain keep aloof from the second Great War? Probably not.

During the Great War of 1914-18, thanks to the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, the Far East could enjoy order and tranquillity, and British national interest was perfectly protected by the Japanese navy. In case another war should occur to whom is Great Britain going to entrust the protection of her shipping in the Oriental waters? To Chiang Kai-shek's government? It has no navy. During the war India was disturbed, and Britain could only succeed in quelling the rioting by the collaboration of the Japanese Marines. Can the Kuomintang Government do it at another occurrence of rioting?

Any English statesman of political acumen who could see the nature of the present grave crisis in Europe, should reconsider Britain's policy towards China which has, it is feared, too much committed to the Chiang Kai-shek Administration. I am not behind any pacifist in hoping that the parleys between Herr Hitler and Il Duce should result in loosening the tension in Europe, but the Anschluss movement in Czechoslovakia gives greatest apprehensions to any political student of European affairs, and it is hoped that English statesmen will prepare for the worst, so that they might safeguard British national interest in the Orient before it is too late.

T. O.

(A Japanese Free Lance)

Shanghai, May 3.

Our Soldier Boys: Will Have Their Little Fun

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Please allow me space to request the member of the Durham Light Infantry who took the best part of a pound of tobacco from a well-known bar in Bubbling Well Road on Sunday last to return same to the bar boy.

Skipper.

Shanghai, May 3.

Brit. Red Cross: Thanks to Donors

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Through the courtesy of your columns I wish to express grateful thanks to the Yee Tsoong Tobacco Co., for their generous gift of cigarettes to the British Red Cross Society, (Shanghai Branch), also to the following who so kindly sent magazines, etc.: Mrs. Goldman, Mrs. Dangoor, Miss C. van Stellingwerff, Mrs. N. S. Levy and Mr. O. Klink.

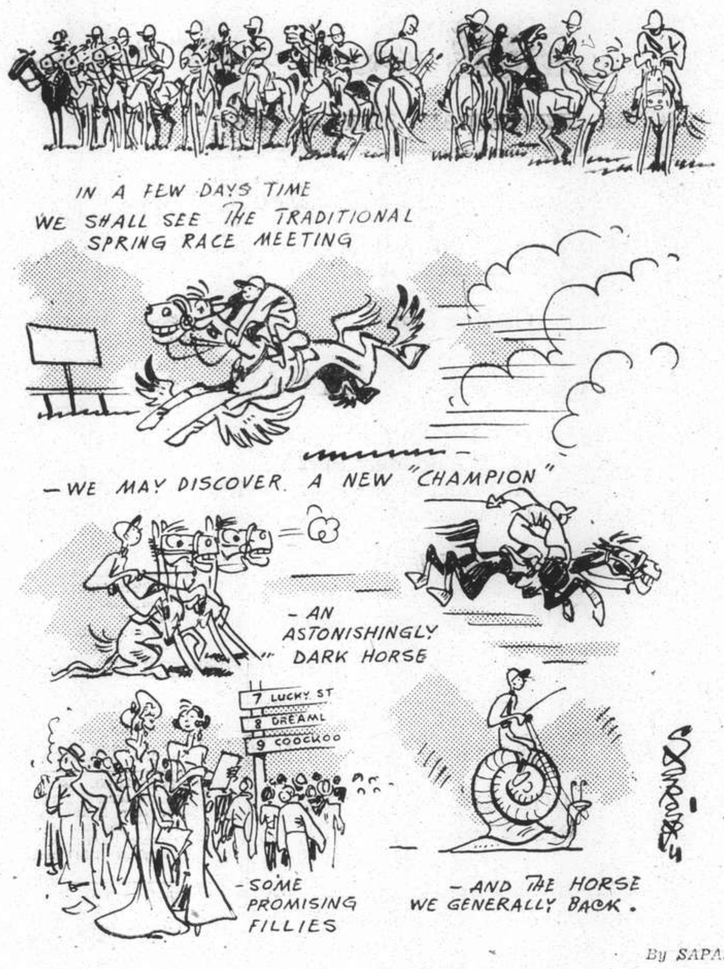
Aziza Abraham.

Shanghai, May 2.

Sixty Years Ago

From the "North-China Daily News," of May 4, 1878

It is satisfactory to perceive that the great question of the conservancy of the Hwangpoo is likely to attract more persevering attention, and therefore lead to more vigorous action. We entirely concur in the observations of our correspondent "Silt" and also in his proposal that a more careful and elaborate report should be prepared. If only a few of our leading merchants would put their shoulders to the wheel and keep them there, acting vigorously and unitedly together—ceaselessly keeping the question before the attention of the Chinese authorities—we cannot but think that the end desired would be accomplished. Official stupidity, pretended or real, should not be allowed to vanquish Western intelligence—which it has been doing all along in this grave matter—through supineness and want of united application. Let the members of our great mercantile community be at once up and doing, and let a public meeting be called, at which in accordance with "Silts" proposal, a committee of landrenters could be elected to take the matter up, and form a channel through which the full weight of public opinion could be brought to bear. There is no doubt as to the unity of public opinion on the subject. What is wanted is united action, or, in a very few years, there will be united regret.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SAPAJOU

"Tips" for the Spring Meeting

The Secret of Popularity

By Ernest Newman in "The Listener"

The Editor of "The Listener," with his usual diabolical ingenuity in suggesting subjects that look simplicity itself but are really rather complex, has tempted me into writing about the secret of popularity in music, the mysterious element that keeps certain works, especially operas, eternally in favour with the masses. "Cay," and "Pag," "Carmen," "Faust" and so on—what is the secret of their unfailing appeal? I will not keep the anxious reader waiting for the secret. I will blurt it out at once: the masses—and the classes too, if I may use that old division once more in this new connection—know a good thing when they hear it. In other words, the best things are popular because they are the best. The test of the "best" is long popularity—in opera, in the symphony, in the drama, in poetry, in pictures, and in everything else in art.

When I was in New York some years ago I met a famous composer of jazz operas, who told me of a recent experience of his own. Reading between the lines, I gathered that somebody or other had suggested to him that as he was engaged in writing music it wouldn't be a bad thing for him to learn something about the writing of music, and had advised him to go to the Metropolitan and hear a really good opera. In his innocence he picked, of all things, the "Götterdämmerung." He was generous to admit afterwards that this work of a famous rival seemed to him 'pretty good stuff'; 'but,' he added, 'it didn't have no success—only ran for one night'. It would have taken me quite a time; I imagine, to convince him that the "Götterdämmerung,' judged simply by his own box-office standards, was a terrific success; it had already had more performances all over the world than any of his own operas had had, or would ever be likely to have. It is a popular work because it is a good work; and the final test of the goodness of any work is the extent and durability of its vogue.

Many Kinds of Public

My readers, of course, are now reaching out their million feet to trip me up. Beethoven's "Grosse Fuge," they will say, appeals to only one person where "Tea for two" appeals to a hundred thousand: do I allege, then, that this box-office test proves "Tea for two" to be a better piece of music than the "Grosse Fuge"? Of course not. The misunderstanding arises from our habit of using such terms as "public" and "popularity" without proper definition of them. There is no such thing, never has been any such thing, and never will be any such thing as "the public." There are a hundred publics, each with an emotional and intellectual range of its own, artistic hungers and appetites of its own, aesthetic criteria of its own. It is not everyone who is "fond of music"—even intelligently fond of it—who is built mentally on the same lines as the "Grosse Fuge"; and I myself know many excellent musicians who, while duly paying lip service to the Fugue, if they were faced with the problem of tuning in tonight to that or to "Die Fledermaus" would plump unhesitatingly for the latter.

My point is that there are many kinds of "public," and that popular approval can always be trusted, over a period, to settle for good on the work that is the best of its type—i.e., the type that appeals to the public immediately concerned. If anyone doubts this, I would ask him to name for me any work now in the repertory that is not the best of its type. The proper rank of the type itself in a graded table of aesthetic values has nothing to do with the matter we are now discussing, if only for the reason that there is no universal agreement as to the relative values of the various types. Many Germans, for instance, who love Johann Strauss turn sick at the mere mention of the name of Offenbach. In so doing they merely show themselves to be the victims of a racial or cultural prejudice; the French, in turn, are guilty of the same little failing when they reject certain things of Strauss as too sentimental. But within the special sphere of each of these two publics is there the smallest doubt that it was the best music of each type that infallibly came to the top—"Die Fledermaus" and "Der Zigeunerbaron" in the one case, "Orphée aux Enfers," "La Vie Parisienne," and "La Grande Duchesse" in the other?

Vital Touch with Drama

There are cases, it is true, in which some work or other rises superior to all distinctions of types. Such a work is "Carmen," which is not only the delight of the masses, but a masterpiece in the eyes of the musicians who fancy themselves as the classes. In general, however, the types remain more or less segregated; the people who queue up at dawn outside Covent Garden to hear "Tristan" or "Parsifal" do not, as a rule, face that ordeal to hear "Cavalleria Rusticana" or "I Pagliacci," unless, of course, in order to hear some great singer, which is another matter altogether. What I am insisting on is that for the type of mind that lives and moves and has its being in operas of the "Cav." and Pag." genre, the choice of these works represents precisely the same kind of skilled selection as that which has put "Tristan" or "Figaro" where it is today. Arguing from the premises proper to these types, "Cav." and "Pag." are the only strictly logical conclusion: they are far and away the best things of their sort. They have "gripping" dramas; the music, if not in the category of the world's greatest, is always in vital touch with the drama, even when the composer, as was the case with Leoncavallo, is only an amateur. Each composer most decidedly 'gets away with it'; and again there is no possible answer to the question, 'What other work by the same composer, or similar works by any other composer, are better, en masse, than these two?'

Popularity of "Faust"

But there is another aspect of the question that is worth considering. Very popular works are apt to suffer from their popularity, in that they invite performance by all and sundry for all and sundry. The standard of performance gradually declines; and in the process of time the faults, the stupidities, the indolences of bad performers and too indulgent listeners are visited upon the works themselves, until it becomes difficult to see them as they really are. To hear "Tannhäuser" under Toscanini at Bayreuth was a revelation for all of us. All the accretions of years of bad performances were washed away; no one had the feeling that here was an opera long out-moded, to which one had to condescend; the work had the conviction it must have had for its more intelligent first hearers in 1845. I am told that Toscanini achieves the same miracle with such apparently faded works as "Il Trovatore"; he makes you see the work not as you have become accustomed to seeing it through the eyes of decades of honest but poor performers but as Verdi must have seen it when he wrote it in full belief in it. And if ever there was a work that needed to be rescued from its performers it is Gounod's "Faust". Read what Chorley said about this opera in the long ago days when it was fresh, and you will understand why it thrilled and captivated its first hearers as it did. With all its faults, it is a very much better work than most people today imagine; even the Paris Opéra cannot quite ruin it. I should say that the long and unshakable popularity of "Faust" is of itself the surest proof we could wish for of the thesis that the public—each public within its own type—has an infallible flair for the best of its particular kind.

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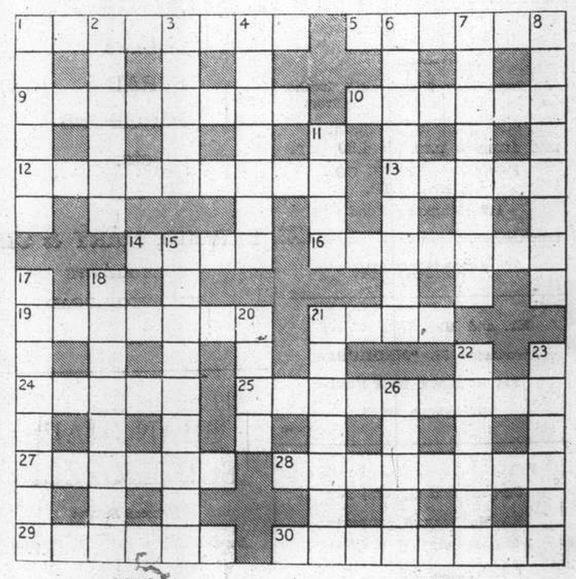

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1 If the P.M.G. advertised this surely he would be robbing Peter to pay Paul
5 An African tree
9 Beat advice to belong to a political party
10 More than one anyhow
12 A famous blade
13 Regimental colours?
14 Vessel
16 Would a sailor lying in the dock be guilty of this?
19 Dance
21 Falstaff's drink?
24 Masculine name
25 No, this variety of 29 across is not a favourite food at picnics
27 The highest order
28 "His elder" (Anag.)
29 Bird (See 25 across)
30 Sets ablaze but is already burning apparently

DOWN

1 This may describe or tell us the spider's sleeping-place
2 One of those about whom Weller advised caution
3 That a political party has lost an artist is not a true-statement
4 This kind of rest is almost entirely useless
6 "Large coil" (Anag.)
7 French port
8 Can you guess this sweet? you will need a good shot to get it
11 An upsetting journey
15 What is this is dear at any price (and more so if broken in two)
17 Sounds like an alarm to terrify
18 One who is not contented to follow in the footsteps of others
20 An American President
21 In this kind of pot-house there is apparently a barmaid instead of a potman
22 This British author seems to give unnecessary advice to a strict Jew
23 Either of two war-time Ministers
26 Material to suit a soldier?

Tibet Border War Renewed

Atuntze Official Foully Murdered While Asleep; Attempted Revenge

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Yenchin, Hsikang, Tibet, Mar. 24.

The writer, when called professionally to Atuntze recently, little realized into what political turmoil he was entering. Two months before, the Ah Tong Tibetans, who live but a short day's journey out from Atuntze, had attacked the Salt Gabelle asserting that during recent years they had been charged exorbitant salt taxes. The salt tax collector fled for his life down into Yunnan. After long days of discussion at the Atuntze Iamasery, the matter was finally arbitrated after a fashion, but ill feeling still rankled in the breasts of the Ah Tong Wa toward some Atuntze citizens.

Several months earlier the Ah Tong folk seized a number of mules from Yenchin salt caravans, claiming to do so in justification of wrongs received from Yenchin neighbours many years before. Tibetan soldiers were sent from Tibet to one of the back door villages of the Ah Tong Wa, ready for action if the lama priests and Tibetan officials were not able to talk the matter to a satisfactory conclusion. Their talking was apparently successful, and it was reported that the Ah Tong people made ample restitution, as well as feeding their neighbouring warriors for a few weeks while arbitration went on.

Last week-end the Ah Tong Tu Sih, or magistrate, came to Atuntze with the avowed intention of arbitrating the matter completely in order that impending warfare might be averted. He brought only about ten of his warriors with him as a bodyguard, well realizing that there would doubtless be bloodshed if more of his men were to accompany him. But he did not realize what awaited him. Officials and others dropped into his rooming place to chat and bring him wine. But they showed no disposition to arbitrate the troubles which had brought him to their little city to talk peace.

Emissary Treacherously Slain

And after a long busy day he retired for the night, evidently taking no precautions to prevent possible treachery. Before dawn some of those professing friendliness, assisted by a number of Tibetans from a hostile tribe seeking revenge, slew him in his bed as he lay in a drunken sleep. Chinese officials hoped that this harsh measure would have the effect of intimidating the more lawless of his people.

But they probably misjudged their adversaries, as must have become apparent to them two days later when friends of the murdered official appeared upon the steep mountain sides overlooking the little border city in the narrow valley below. Neither side had cannons or real carnage would have ensued. Rifles cracked from three sides above the town and the echoes reverberated from mountain to mountain. The firing was immediately answered from the Chinese yamen below. With a few interruptions, the battle continued one half day. The Atuntze troops lost no men but had a few men seriously wounded. The enemy troops found themselves less fortunate, losing about 20 men including an officer. Most of those slain were entrapped in a small fortress above the town and were shown no quarter.

Permament Peace Doubtful

Whether peace can be restored without further fighting seems extremely doubtful. Should the invaders return by night with augmented forces from their large territory, the town may be sacked and burnt, as only a small military force is stationed at Atuntze by the Yunnan government. In the meantime Atuntze citizens spend sleepless nights anticipating night attacks by their foes. It may be that several months of border skirmishing may follow before the dove of peace is again permitted to alight upon the Atuntze region in extreme northwest Yunnan.

Five days of caravan travel to the northwest across the border in Tibet, at Yenchin and its surrounding territory, peace and quiet once more prevail after several months of robber depredations in the region round about. December sown crops of small grain are now several inches high and making rapid growth as the result of mostly sunny weather and irrigation being possible to most of that region when rain fails to come. Exorbitant taxation by Tibetan officials is considered the greatest bane of that region by many of its citizens who often sign for "the good old days" when China ruled their region.

They have forgotten that they grumbled then, too, about high taxes. Such is human nature, even beyond the Orient. Long centuries ago the children of Israel turned their thoughts back to "the fleshpots of Egypt." And those of western lands more favoured than this can remember similar complaints having come to ears in the years gone by.

H.M.S. Capetown Leaves Weihaiwei for Home

Farewells and Festivities Mark her Departure

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Weihaiwei, Apr. 18.

The week preceding the departure of that popular warship—H.M.S. Capetown—for Home, was one long round of farewells and festivities. She has been relieved by another old friend, H. M. S. Suffolk, however, so that cries of bon voyage and words of greeting were on many lips at the same moment.

At 11.50 a.m., on April 16, Capt C. Coppinger, and Officers of the Capetown were At Home to their numerous friends, and a very pleasant gathering was the result. Among those present were H. M. Consul and Mrs. S. L. Burdett, who are shortly leaving for home, Surg.-Cmdr. and Mrs. A. A. Pomfret, Mrs. C. G. Couper and Mrs F. A. Milliken, who had come to Weihaiwei two days previously to join their husbands who are on the Suffolk, Mrs. H. King, Mrs. A. M. A. Travers, Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clark, Mrs. K. Lemiere, who has been spending the winter in Weihaiwei, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and Miss K. Lynch.

Spanish Militia Seek Refuge in France

Republican Spanish troops, who fought at Lerida and were cut off from the main Barcelona forces, sought refuge in France. They crossed high, snow-covered passes in the border mountains, such as the Picade Pass shown above.

London Letter

China Notes from London

Entertaining Talk by Sir John Pratt on "Forty Years of China"; Dr. Sun Fo a Guest

BY O. M. GREEN

(Editor, "North-China Daily News" 1911-1930)

London, Apr. 9.

Sir John Pratt gave a most delightful talk at the China Society yesterday afternoon on "Forty Years of China." It was almost the anniversary of his arrival at Peking, as a student interpreter, and he dwelt on the extreme interest of having seen that majestic city as it was before the Boxer rebellion. He was the first student interpreter to arrive by train; but the Manchu Court "would not allow the sacred city to be contaminated by Western innovations," and the station was four miles from Peking, that part of the journey being done on a donkey.

There were still some survivors of the war of 1858-60, among them being another donkey: his hoofs turned right over, so that he walked on the outside of them. Sir John said, however, he seemed to enjoy life.

One ceremony never to be forgotten was a birthday party for the Empress-Dowager given by Yuan Shih-kai, then Governer of Chihli. All the officials appeared, not in official, but in Court robes, so magnificent that "for once one understood the meaning of the phrase the gorgeous East'."

An Intuitive Understanding

Of Sir Robert Hart, Sir John said that perhaps his greatest gift was "an intuitive understanding of the Chinese which amounted to genuis." He never attempted to be their master, and, for example, rode in a blue sedan chair instead of a green one to mark that he was their servant. Yet even he could not always prevail.

Once he was trying to convince some officials of the utility of the telephone. When he had finished speaking one of them said "It is recorded that a king of the Chou dynasty, wishing to give an order to a general who was many miles away, spoke the words into a box. This was sent to the general who on opening it received the royal command as spoken." This disposed of elephones.

Recollections of Marquis I'to, "who swung Japan into the first war with China and so let loose the Japanese military oligarchy;" of Prince Henry of Prussia, apostle of the mailed fist; of the correct way to make tea ("to begin with, you must never let a woman touch the teapot"); and of tiger-hunting at Amoy where there were still plenty of tigers when Sir John was first posted to the port, with other good memories, filled out a much appreciated talk.

Strangely enough Sir John just missed all the big crises. He had just left Peking when the Boxer rising began; was Home reading for the Bar during the Russo-Japanese War; had just been transferred from Hankow when the Revolution of 1911 broke out; and after being Consul-General in Shanghai, had started for England only four days before the famous May 30, 1925. "So if you can tell me what is the opposite of a stormy petrel that is what I am" he said.

Extraordinary Accident

It was a shock to see Sir John enter the room on crutches. Some weeks ago he had an extraordinary accident. He was cycling, when a woman with her head down walked straight into him. She was not hurt, neither apparently was Sir John. He cycled on to his destination, to make a speech.

Then his right thigh began to swell till it was twice the normal size. He was taken home in an ambulance, having ruptured an artery in the accident. Of course the subsequent cycling and standing for the speech had been the worst thing possible for him, and he was in bed for some weeks. The leg is gradually getting all right, though at times it still gives much pain.

Nanking Bishop's Visit

The Chinese Roman Catholic Bishop of Sozusa, Vicar Apostolic of Nanking, Monsignor Paul Yu-ping, celebrated High Mass in Westminster Cathedral yesterday for suffering China. The Chinese Ambassador was in the front row of seats and many other Chinese were present. Monsignor Paul, who is only 36, intoned the Service with faultless pronunciation of Latin. He has been in Rome to see the Pope and has also toured all over America mostly by aeroplane, and always in China's behalf.

Tribute to Mr. Brooke-Smith

The death of Mr. A. Brooke-Smith was a great shock to many friends in England as it will have been in China. Mr. A. W. Burkill who was staying in Suffolk last week-end, tells me he saw Mr. Brooke-Smith on Tuesday when he appeared perfectly well. That night he began coughing violently and the strain on the heart was too much.

It will be remembered that four or five years ago Mr. Brooke-Smith had a bad complaint of the heart, but he seemed to have got over it fairly well and was able to go shooting again. No man was ever better or more deservedly liked by all who knew him.

Dr. Sun Fo's Address

Dr. Sun Fo had a good audience at the House of Commons on Tuesday when he spoke to an "all-party" meeting of about 60 members. The notices had been sent out by Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Noel Baker, three very good backers. Dr. Sun spoke simply with no pretence of hitting high notes—which, by the way, never goes down with M.P.'s: they know too much about it—and he made a considerable impression. One gathers that China is fully prepared to fight things out with Japan alone; she does not seek to drag in others realizing that that might mean a world war; but she does feel that things should be made as easy for her as possible in the way of long credits, as she considers she is fighting the battles of other countries too. Not a few people here also think that.

Ambassadorial Reception

On Thursday afternoon the Ambassador and Mme Quo gave a reception in honour of Dr. Sun, which was as large and distinguished a company of guests as London could show, politics, art, diplomacy and society being all well represented. During the war Mr. Quo has from natural feelings refrained from his usual liberal entertaining, but this was an exceptional occasion. Everyone too was cheerful over the good news received that day of China's successes on the Tsinpu railway. At such times Mme Quo, who is widely liked in London, does not content herself with ordering a firm of caterers to provide for so many guests, but spends much time beforehand in going into every detail.

Japanese Handkerchiefs

Extraordinary figures of the price at which Japanese handkerchiefs are imported into Great Britain have been given in the House of Commons. Captain Wallace, for the Board of Trade, was introducing an Order to impose a minimum specific duty on handkerchiefs wholly or partly of cotton, for the protection of Home manufacturers. More than 90 per cent. of the imported handkerchiefs last year came from Japan at the average c.i.f. value of 1s. 10½d. a pound. Against this, Swiss handkerchiefs were valued at 17s. 8d., German at 12s. 10½d. and those of other countries an average of 11s. 8d. Under the new Order the average *ad valorem* incidence of the new specific duty on Japanese handkerchiefs will be about 80 per cent., other countries, however, will not be affected, as, owing to their value, the tax they pay already reaches the minimum contemplated by the new order.

Even thus the huge difference between the cost of Japanese and other handkerchiefs would seem to leave Japan with a big advantage. No doubt, however, she will protest. I have lately been hearing the Japanese point of view on several international questions, immigration restrictions and tariffs and one can understand her feeling. On the other hand we have to keep our people employed as much as she has, and while the Eastern and Western standards of living differ so widely, there seems no solution for the interminable tariff wars.

The opposition wrangled over the Order, some because it did not take the form of wholesale economic sanctions against Japan, others because they foresaw their constituents paying more for blowing their noses. But it was duly passed.

The new Indian Frontier medal will have a ribbon, red and green with a khaki band in the middle. The khaki band is a tribute overdue to the uniform. The present Frontier medal has a green and dark blue ribbon; it has done duty for nearly 40 years; and each campaign has had a clasp added. There is no more room for clasps, as there have been so many Frontier wars.

Japanese Soldiers Near Kaifeng

Artillery Shells Clearly Heard but People Think City Will be Spared

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Kaifeng, Apr. 18.

With the Japanese occupation of Fengchiu, north of the Yellow River, about 50 li from Kaifeng, artillery has often been clearly heard here during the past months. On the night of April 11, when Chinese mobile units, commanded by Gen. Chang Lien-san, attacked Fengchiu, severe fighting took place, the artillery being distinctively audible all night. On the next afternoon, Japanese artillery shelled Liuyuankou Crossing, eighteen li north of Kaifeng, with about 30 shots, but no damage was done.

Among the Kaifeng people, there prevails a common saying, "*chung pang fu ti*" which means "Kaifeng is a place of happiness in the central section." For this reason, despite the fact that the Japanese are only 50 li away, the Kaifeng people superstitiously believe that the city would be spared the terrible fighting and severe bombing of the hostilities. Judging from past experience, the city had never been a war centre, and always was regarded as a safety zone—the city environs are covered with sand which is unsatisfactory for trenches.

Conditions here seem to have become better. Many refugees, having fled to southwestern Honan or to other safety zones are seen returning. The bus service from Kaifeng to Tsaohsien, on the Shantung-Honan border, where the provincial capital of Shantung is established, has been resumed. Several hundred thousand trees had been planted along the banks of the Yellow River and in the suburbs. Acting on the orders of the Civil department of the Provincial Government, the local Police Bureau has recently instructed its branch offices here to protect all trees, planted round the city, the ponds and along the banks of rivers.

Activities of Communists

Several Communist magazines and autobiographies of Gen. Mao Chetung and Gen. Chu Teh, both of the Eighth Route Army, were prohibited from sale locally. Questioned concerning the activities of the Communists in the province, an officer declared that "Feng Yu" or "Wind and Rain," a weekly Communist magazine, is still published here, but it is to be censored by the Provincial Kuomintang Headquarters.

At Yungcheng in eastern Honan, and Sihua in southern Honan, the officer added, they had organized various national salavation bodies, such as the student self-defence corps, women's corps, children's corps and adults' corps. At Tsiyuan in northern Honan, the officer continued, a part of the Communist army, under Kuo Ta-fu, were engaged in fighting Japanese, while another part, formerly stationed at Peiyang in central Honan, were reorganized as regular troops.

Air Defence Bureau Reorganized

The Air Defence Bureau of the province was reorganized on April 11, with Gen. Cheng Chien, chairman of the province, as the commander, and Gen. Chu Ying-sheng, as chief of staff. A press conference was held, under the auspices of the Air Defence Bureau, on April 14, when Gen. Chu spoke on air defence measures.

In this connection it may be interesting to recall that on January 10 when Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek and Gen. Pai Chung-hsi arrived here by plane, the head of the Air Defence Bureau had not received any information beforehand, and mistook the planes as Japanese. The urgent airraid signal was sounded, and the anti-aircraft guns went into action. It was, indeed, extremely fortunate that the anti-aircraft guns scored misses or something terrible might have happened. The next day, the official, it is reported, was removed from his position.

Triple Murder in Dairen

Youth of Sixteen Killed Three Women While They Slept: Motive Revenge

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Dairen, Apr. 10.

Residents of Dairen have been shocked by the recent discovery of the bodies of three women, murdered in cold blood, the slayer setting fire to the house in the vain hope that all traces of his crime would be obliterated. The murderer was later found to be a Manchu youth of sixteen years.

About 6 a.m. on April 6, the building which houses a shop selling heating appliances at 6, Iwashiro-cho, known as the Nishikido Shokai was discovered by neighbours to be ablaze. In response to an urgent summons the fire brigade raced to the spot. About to attempt to make their way upstairs the firemen were astounded and appalled to find at the foot of the staircase the bodies of two women. When they eventually managed to get upstairs another gruesome find was awaiting them. This was the body of a third woman.

In a short while the flames were under control and the police appeared on the scene. The bodies were identified as those of the daughter-in-law of the proprietress of the shop, who was at the time in Mukden and two relatives who were staying in the house. Petrol had been used in setting the house and shop on fire.

Returned to Dairen

The police soon found that a man employed at the shop was missing and, sixteen hours after he was arrested at Liaoyang, a station between Mukden and Hsinking. He was Kang Tsung-tsai, sixteen years old. When apprehended he had in his possession two women's wristlet watches and Y.36. The following morning he was brought back to Dairen.

In an all-night examination the youthful Manchu had a bizarre tale to tell. Stoutly maintaining his innocence he declared that a certain Hideo Hagiwara, who was the lover of the young girl of 24 who was slain, had committed the murders. He stated that Hagiwara came to the house that evening and, as the weather was bad, he stayed for the night.

Continuing, he said that about 10 p.m. he was awakened by the sounds of loud bickering and about 3 a.m. he woke up again to hear loud shrieks. He stated that he could see nothing as there were no lights but Hagiwara was downstairs and he gave him the money and watches and told him to leave town or he also would be murdered.

Smilingly confidently the young suspect said that, fearing for his life, he left Dairen and was making his way to his home town when he was picked up by the police.

Alleged Culprit Confesses

On April 8, however, the alleged culprit confessed to the brutal triple killing. His motives were two. First he had been receiving what he considered unjust treatment from the women of the house and was made to do all kind of menial tasks while he also was homesick. It was thus revenge and robbery which prompted the deed.

He told the police that about 3.30 a.m. he left his room and went to the room where the three women were sleeping in the same bed. His particular hatred, the daughter-in-law of the proprietress, was sleeping in the middle and he struck her with his hatchet exactly in the middle of the forehead with all his strength. Death was instantaneous.

He next struck the older women of the two that were left in the same way, but three times. In spite of this, however, she did not die at once. Meanwhile awakened by the sounds the young girl let out a shriek, whereupon the crazed youth hit her several times in the forehead with the hatchet. They remained alive for a sufficient length of time to stagger to the stairs down which they fell.

This did not suit the purpose of the youthful murderer and he ran after them, seized a fish-knife on his way, and when they fell at the foot of the stairs he stabbed them many times until they were dead.

The juvenile triple murderer has now been placed in the penitentiary at Port Arthur. His trial will take place two months hence.

Wenchow Quieter Than One Month Ago

Most Foreign Missionaries Returned to Their Posts

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

Wenchow, Che, Apr. 21.

Wenchow, never very animated, is quieter now than one month ago, when closure of other coastal ports was inviting in a measure of outside trade. At that time the river was thronged with steamships, and the streets with strangers. Hotels were full and merchants happily busy. Though things are quieter in regard to trade, they remain uneventful also in regard to the war and so, true to her ancient traditions, this area again feels to be rather off the map of world disturbances.

Several missionaries have returned to their stations, thus practically completing the foreign community. This includes the return from furlough of Miss D. Doidge and the first arrival here of Miss L. Tucker from Muswell Hill, both to the English Methodist Mission. Mr. and Mrs. O'Reilly, with their son Gerald, of the Customs, have left on furlough. Recently two parties of missionaries passed through here for Shanghai leaving stations in northwestern Chekiang; but on the other hand a party of ladies has just passed in the reverse direction heading for an area west of Wenchow which has been constantly bothered by Japanese planes, Chuchow.

Popular interest accompanied the concert of brass bands and fireworks this week when the British vice-Consul of this area was officially welcomed to Wenchow, reportedly to investigate local conditions, and to discuss ways and means of eliminating obstacles likely to impede British trade. A reception was arranged for foreign residents to meet Mr. J. A. C. C. Alexander in the private grounds of the Commissioner of Customs, Mr. H. C. Morgan.

Airfield Again Bombed

Wenchow has again listened to the thud of falling bombs. This occurred at 7 a.m. on April 13, when the airfield was raided for the second time. Mere civilians wonder why expensive bombs should be thrown on an empty field that has not been used, and is in any case unusable after a fall of rain. The theory is being whispered round that the Japanese are purposely encouraged to expend their ammunition in this harmless manner by means of a number of cunning ruses first of which being the creation of rumours of hidden stores of oil and ammunition, presumably beneath the turf. He certainly would be a discoverer of rare inventiveness who could name any mark within or without this city of shops and dwellings worth the cost and effort of an attack.

There is some civilian scepticism also at the deliberative efforts of the official committee about plans for a river boom. Serious attempts have already been made to collect money, one being a levy on the value of the cargo carried by ships using the port, but it might have been foreseen by anyone with a sense of human nature that ship owners, and shipmasters would grumble at being expected to contribute towards a scheme for making the port less navigable. Here again, the ordinary civilian wonders what need for a boom in a twisting river already sufficiently boomed by sandbanks that alter their positions every year as the powerful tides swirl round and over them. Or, should a Japanese landing be contemplated, would not a landing at the river mouth be more convenient than up amongst these sandbanks? And there always remains the pertinent question, what is there in or near Wenchow worth the taking? Unless it be the hills and rivers, the five pagodas, and wild duck and heron.

Salvation Army Leader

General Evangeline Booth, aged leader of the Salvation Army, is to ignore the Army rule that no person can remain General after the age of 73. (General Eva celebrates her 73rd birthday on Christmas Day). And her decision may lead to trouble, states the "Sunday Chronicle."

She has now made it known to her chief officers that she will continue in office after that date. The notices summoning the High Council to elect her successor should be going out now, but General Eva has countermanded their dispatch.

There will be no High Council this year, unless it is called at the request of seven requisitioning Commissioners, as was the case when it was first called to depose the late General Bramwell Booth.

Her reason for not calling the High Council to elect her successor, she says, is that "the world is in such a troubled condition." She takes the view that international affairs must become normal before a change in the leadership of the Salvation Army should be made.

Her action has not the unanimous approval of all her leading officers. Age is a vital factor in the generalship, and as Commissioners have to retire at 70, several of the possible candidates for the generalship who are over 65 feel that any postponement will seriously lessen their chances of securing the top position.

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LIU.—On Monday, May 2, 1938, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, Mr. C. F. (Burma) LIU (劉經方), aged 53 years, the dearly-beloved husband of Mrs. Dorothy Liu. Funeral services will be held at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road, to-morrow, Thursday, May 5, at 5.30 p.m.

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CUSTOMS ARRANGEMENT

The exchange of notes which has taken place between the British and the Japanese Governments on the subject of the funds of the Chinese Maritime Customs collected in areas occupied by the Japanese forces, has led to an arrangement which is remarkable for two important points. They are (1), the safeguarding of the interests of foreign investors in loans secured on the Customs revenue, and (2), the maintenance of the integrity of the service. It is in the nature of a temporary and provisional arrangement for the purpose of tiding over the present very difficult period, and may be accepted as the only effective means of making the best out of a bad business. Though the Chinese Government is not committed in any way, it is clearly to its advantage that an arrangement should be made whereby the ports in the Japanese occupied areas should for the future contribute their fair quotas for the service of the foreign obligations secured on the service, a burden which up to the present has been falling upon Chinese controlled ports. It is an open secret that for months the Chinese Customs Service in occupied areas was threatened with seizure by the Japanese authorities, and unconditional seizure at that. Such a step would have resulted in the complete disruption of the service, would have put all Customs collections in such areas at the sole disposal of Japan, and would have inflicted the gravest possible hardship upon the Chinese and foreign trading communities in North China. That would have meant the destruction of the formal integrity of the chief support of China's credit structure, which once destroyed would probably have been incapable of reconstruction. There cannot be the slightest possible doubt that an arrangement which maintains the integrity of the Customs, and under which Japan recognizes the obligation of the ports under her dominance to pay their proper share of the foreign loan service, is more than a suitable alternative to the only other which was presented, namely seizure.

It is, perhaps, inevitable that the arrangement which has been come to will be criticised. The deviser of a perfect scheme in connection with any question, let alone one so difficult as this, has yet to be born. In arriving at it there are various considerations to be remembered. The opening of hostilities led to the undermining of Chinese authority in an important portion of the Chinese coast, and that in its turn has made it difficult, if not completely impossible, for the Customs to function normally as a department of the Chinese Government. The dangers alleged to be inherent in the new arrangement will be found on close examination to have been inherent in the situation as it has existed since the commencement of hostilities, and, therefore, exist independently of any of the negotiations just concluded. From the Chinese point of view there are objections to the scheme propounded in the Anglo-Japanese exchange of notes, but in the main they are weakly founded. In some quarters, for example, it is feared that the Japanese will use the funds thus acquired and deposited in the Yokohama Specie Bank for the purpose of attacking Chinese currency. Since the occupation of North China, Customs collections have been deposited in the Yokohama Specie Bank and must by now amount of a considerable sum, but there is no evidence that the Japanese have—or have ever had the intention to do so—used those funds for any such purpose. Moreover, such a departure would do so much harm to herself that it is difficult to believe that Japan would adopt such a course even for the sake of an apparent, but nevertheless unreal contribution to the prestige of her military authorities. For it is not good military strategy to destroy blindly merely to demonstrate the power of destruction. Fortunately it is understood that the British Government has obtained assurances from Tokyo which are satisfactory on that point.

Offsetting the above criticism and others which are likely to be made—for it is early yet to endeavour to anticipate all that may be said against the arrangement—the benefits are more than satisfactory. The service of the foreign loans is assured so far as Japan is concerned. China could, of course, repudiate the scheme, for she is not a party to it, but it is not to be imagined that she will be so shortsighted as to take that step, which for reasons stated in the first paragraph of this article would recoil on her own head. The assurance of the service of the foreign loans will maintain China's credit abroad, a matter of infinite importance to her when this unhappy conflict comes to an end and she seeks to find the money necessary for the purpose of rehabilitation. The trading communities in those areas will welcome this adjustment as tending towards the restoration of the authority of the Customs, the stoppage of smuggling, and the inculcation of a system of general fair play which has been notoriously absent for these past few months. It is hoped that the arrangement will also lead to the relaxation of all those irritating and vexatious restrictions imposed by the Japanese military on commerce generally, and lead to the removal of many of those sources of discontent which at the moment continue to prevail, while above all, and this is the most promising portent of all, it is a welcome recognition by Japan of the principle of negotiation in questions which affect not only her but the other Powers as well. This journal accepts the arrangement as one which may tend towards the fuller execution of the Japanese assurance regarding the intention scrupulously to respect the interests of foreign neutral Powers in China, which if implified in other directions would also serve greatly to restore some of the confidence which is at present lacking. On the other hand there are those who, sceptical by reason of all that has happened in this past, will say "It remains to be seen." It does. But, until it has been seen, wisdom seems to require that this present arrangement should be accepted on its face value and judged by future events.

In South Shantung

No great changes have occurred in the Sino-Japanese military situation in Southern Shantung despite recent reports of the decisive nature of the engagement and the expectancy of major developments. General Li Tsung-jen, the Kwangsi strategist in charge of Chinese operations, is probably quite correct when he states that the critical period is not yet over, for it is hardly likely that the Japanese, suffering one reverse, should not exert every endeavour to correct it in a campaign in which the ebb and flow must be great now that the point of penetration is so deep in the country. Chinese reports, although reflecting the flush of victory, also reflect the knowledge that the Japanese offensive will be intensified and the fierce character of the fighting in Shantung, especially around Taierchwang and Tancheng, illustrates the point. These same reports also believe that some move is being developed by the Japanese for the capture of Hsuchowfu, and reinforcements are being assembled to counteract any such thrust for there is no denying the seriousness of Japanese intentions in this direction. That important military developments are not far off is now without doubt for a definite challenge has been made and must be settled unless a war of indefinite length is to be waged. On the part of the Japanese, it might be said that guerilla operations are proving a difficult obstacle for on every hand there are these minor operations which mean immediate treatment made difficult owing to the impoverishment of forces at several points in order to strengthen the main forces in Shantung without calling on reserves from Japan. The next few days should produce important results as far as this advanced stage in the hostilities is concerned.

Last of the Melvilles

With the death of Frederick on April 5 the last of the famous Melville brothers has had the curtain rung down, all of them dying within fourteen months. The name of Melville has become synonymous in modern minds with melodrama. Actually the Girls Who Took Wrong Turnings, Wrecked Homes and were Victims of Dirty Work at the Cross-roads were the last example of a dying tradition, and for several years before their deaths the Melville brothers had nothing to do with that form of theatrical amusement. Pantomime rather than melodrama was the brothers' strong suit, but they will probably be remembered more for the latter. There was something typically English about the Melville brothers and their work. It was good hearty, full-blooded stuff. Except when they were disgraces to their sex, such as "The Worst Woman in London," etc., the women were gentle creatures, the villains truly villainous and the heroes most heroic. But the ingredients of the plays were mostly the same with a few changes rung. There was the old homestead cumbered by a mortgage falling due for foreclosure, the wicked brute anxious to take advantage of the terrible situation in which the heroine found herself because of her father's approaching failure, and the hero who turned up at the last moment with all the necessary money to pay off the mortgage, win his bride and assure the audience that they would live happily afterwards,—all good healthy stuff in which villainy was worsted and virtue remained triumphant. The world has become so sophisticated nowadays that it is possible to wonder what would happen if anyone dared to revive one of those plays which but three decades ago thrilled the average playgoers. It would probably be laughed off the stage. Yet there were good qualities about it. Evil was evil, and goodness was good: there was plenty of good red blood and punch behind the morals that those plays apparently sought to convey, but nowadays simple villainy and simple virtue are much too homely, and consequently out of fashion.

A COUNTRY DIARY

May 1.—Thanks to a friendly thunderstorm during the night and the slight rain which followed it this morning, I had Jessfield Park to myself as I went out to meet the Golden Orioles which are due to arrive on May Day; even the regular athletes whose morning exercises rival the gambolling of the *Saltatoria* were somewhere in hiding, so the Park might have been my private garden as I strolled around in search of the golden birds. A Blackbird's egg on the ground (neatly split in half to release the young) showed me that hatching is proceeding apace....while the brilliant song of the father bird soon caught my attention: a slight diversion was caused by a Bulbul which started to sing *"You-did-you-did-you-did"* so persistently that a Hawfinch stopped his own queer song and, with head on one side, drawled out *"You-deed-you-deeeed,"* so quaintly (like a Frenchman making his first effort to speak English) that I had to stop and laugh. Just then an Indian Cuckoo (yelling "one more bottle") went fluttering over the sky and I guessed it was the same bird which first arrived in the Park last Friday (April 29): this raucous sound started the Blackbird off again....and in the midst of it all I clearly distinguished the mellow call of the Oriole in the next group of trees....the first bird of the season arrived on exactly the right day! Just then the sun came out and rain stopped: the Blackbird screamed with excitement and the Oriole flew out of its tree to display its golden plumage: the acrobats came out of hiding and began their weird evolutions....the chewers of sugar-cane and the peelers of oranges arrived in their scores and began to cover the grass and herbage with their refuse: so I hurried away to avoid the sight of so much beauty marred....and went home praying for another rainy day.

IN PARENTHESIS

Definition

A PESSIMIST is one who would hang himself if he really believed what he thought.

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Not Strong

She could swing a six-pound dumbell,
She could fence and she could box:
She could row upon the river,
She could clamber 'mong the rocks;
She could golf from morn till evening,
And play tennis all day long;
But she couldn't help her mother—
'Cause she wasn't very strong.

* * *

In Agreement

WITH "E.-B.B." I quite agree,
(I hope these lines you'll publish);
Although "E.K." is not so bad
His verse is mostly rubbish.
He thinks he's great because
Just few of readers give him heed
But I will vouch that
Millions in "E.K." have no need.
—A.L.G.

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Fun-Spoiler

SOME people write with humour
Whilst others write with zest;
But why must "Ega" criticize
When all is done in jest?

You must know that this column
Pleases most everyone,
But yet Wet Blankets would peek in
And spoil our little fun.
—M.G.

* * *

Spring

AH! the beauty of the spring,
Inspiration it doth bring
To a burning soul like mine,
It's simplicity so divine,
Beauty, grandeur too are blended,
In the sweetest season intended.

What's to "Ega" the spring aroma
When he'd linger in a coma,
What's the song of bobolink
When he'd rather have a drink.
—ALLA

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Ask Your Boss

She was a girl from Kansas City
Who thought she'd like to get a job.
She knew that she was very pretty,
And could, when wile demanded, sob.
Her hair was silk, and snow her brow—
She was, in point of looks, a wow.

"They say," this girl reflected, wiping
A tear from her effulgent eye
"That secretaries must know typing
"And shorthand. I would like to try
"To be a secretary. But
"I'd hate to show myself a mutt."

"No need to worry," murmured Cupid,
"The Civil Service beckons you.
"America may think you stupid,
"But loveliness will pull you through.
"Don't fear you'll stay upon the shelf—
"You only have to show yourself."

MORAL
Efficiency does not annoy,
But loveliness—oh boy, oh boy!
—BY F. G. H. SALUSBURY.

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Bards' Capers

In spring they say the time is ripe
For bards to cut their usual capers
So may I hope this piece of tripe
May find a haven in your papers?
(Should any other budding poet
Tell me that I mustn't mix
My metaphors, I'll say I noet
But my muse is somewhat pixilated owing to the season
When lovers, fools and like romantics
For a brief space lose their reason
To indulge in bardic antics)
I merely want to show "E.K."
"The girl he left...." and "E.G.A."
That rhyming ain't so awful knotty,
Why! here's a schoolmarm just gone potty!
So turn you from your efforts shocking
And "learn how" from a staid bluestocking.
—CONTRIBUTED

The Rhymsters' Series now is closed—"I.P."

THE WEATHER

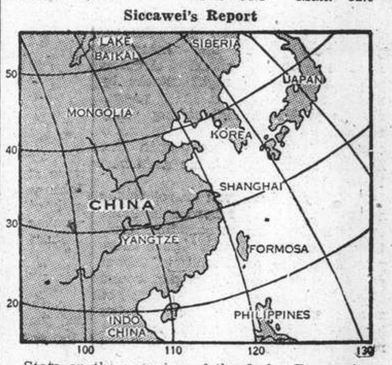
The temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai for 24 hours ending 7 p.m.

Yesterday	Min.	63.0	Max.	78.0
Same date, 1937	Min.	60.0	Max.	78.0
Rainfall nil.				

Siccawei Recordings:—

Yesterday	Min.	61.3	Max.	78.8
Same date, 1937	Min.	54.1	Max.	82.0

Siccawei's Report



State on the morning of the 2nd:—Depression over Manchuria; high pressures to the east of Japan. The small typhoon to the south of the Paracels is apparently filling up. Southerly winds over northern China: variable over our regions and over the Eastern Sea. Overcast to cloudy weather with sand around Shantung. Showery over our regions. Overcast to cloudy and foggy over the Eastern Sea.

State on the morning of the 3rd:—Normal and slowly rising pressure. East-south-easterly breeze. Overcast weather.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Overcast and sandy weather with variable winds around Shantung. Overcast with rain or showers and light variable breezes over our regions: with winds from the south quadrant over the Eastern Sea. Fog along the Coasts. The typhoon to the north-north-east of the Paracels is apparently advancing north-north-eastward.—Siccawei Observatory.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Crokam	$10.00
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Herr Hitler Welcomed At Italian Frontier

Officials, Troops Greet Special Trains From Berlin Bearing Mission to Italian Capital ; Towns En Fete for Meeting of Dictators

With Hitler Enroute to Rome, May 3.

THE Hitler special train bearing the Reich Fuehrer to a state visit in Rome and followed by a second train bearing lesser members of a large entourage, crossed Brenner Pass at 7.45 a.m. It is expected that Herr Adolf Hitler will arrive in Rome at 8.22 this evening.

Signor Benito Mussolini will meet Herr Hitler at Monte Rotondo, sixteen miles north of Rome, and will there board his own special train to precede him into the city.—United Press.

Rome, May 3.

A distinguished group greeted Herr Hitler at Brenner Pass. Among them were the Duke of Pistoia, who welcomed the distinguished guest on behalf of the King Emperor, and Signor Achille Starage, Secretary of the Fascist Party, who greeted the Fuehrer on behalf of Signor Mussolini.

As the train pulled into the frontier station, the German and Italian national anthems were played by military bands, while troops lining the platform presented arms. As Herr Hitler alighted, he was greeted by a roar of cheers from the crowd which packed the platforms waving Italian and German flags.

The Fuehrer reviewed the troops shortly before the train continued its journey. A few minutes later a second train bringing members of the Reich Government, such as Dr. Paul Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, and Herr Rudolf Hesse, Deputy-Leader of the National-Socialist party, arrived at the station.

Signor Guiseppe Bastaini, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, welcomed the German leaders, and accompanied them on their trip to Rome. Near every station and railway crossing, crowds of Fascists wearing uniforms waved flags as the trains pass.

Towns Decorated

Today is considered a national holiday in Italy, and all towns and villages are beflagged with German and Italian colours. Along the walls of many houses slogans such as "Long live Hitler and Il Duce," "Long live the Rome-Berlin axis," "Long live the King-Emperor, Hitler, and Il Duce," have been painted in enormous letters.

Rome itself is completely submerged under a deluge of flags, banners, flowers, and garlands. Shop-windows display huge portraits of the Fuehrer and Il Duce, while the portrait of the King figures only in a few shops.

The streets are swarming with people, many of whom came from various parts of the country to catch a glimpse of the Fuehrer. A large number of German tourists are wandering together in the streets of the city.

Nazis living in Italy wear a black arm-band, while those who arrived from Germany, wear a red arm-band with a black Swastika. Along the roads through which the Fuehrer and Il Duce are to pass, the crowds are getting thicker every minute. Wooden barriers painted in white line the streets in order to keep back the crowds.

Thousands are already patiently waiting for the procession.—Havas.

Holiday in Berlin

Berlin, May 3.

City workers, who had been given a half-day's holiday, lined the streets yesterday afternoon to cheer their Fuehrer as he and his suite drove to the station to entrain for Rome. The two special armoured trains, in which the party travelled, drew out at 4.40 p.m.

In the first train were Herr Hitler, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr. Paul Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda, Herr Rudolf Hess, Deputy Leader of the Nazi Party, and Dr. Hans Frank, Minister without Portfolio.

The second train carried leading officials of the Foreign Office, leading members of the Party and Army and Police chiefs.

Field Marshal Hermann W. Goering, Prussian Premier and Minister for Air, who will represent Herr Hitler during his absence, addressed the Chancellor on the station platform.

"Your meeting with Signor Mussolini," he said, "will once again manifest the strength of the Rome Berlin axis.

"This meeting of the greatest men of the country," he added, "will serve in the interests of the peace of two peoples and the world."

Unparalleled precautions have been taken in Rome to safeguard the welfare of the Fuehrer, whose visit will last a week. Residents along the route of Herr Hitler's drive in the Italian capital have been carefully examined by the police as to identity and antecedents. Travellers entering Italy report that their baggage and passports have been closely scrutinized.—Reuter.

Paris Interested

Paris, May 3.

The visit of Herr Hitler to Rome is being watched with intense interest here, where it is believed that peace or ultimate war in Europe must largely depend on the decisions reached and the tone adopted.

It is realized that the Fuehrer is a much more powerful figure today than on the occasion of his previous visit in 1934. Many believe, however, that by his Austrian coup, Herr Hitler has seriously shaken the edifice of the Rome-Berlin axis.

There is some talk about the German Chancellor trying to tempt Signor Mussolini with plans for support in North Africa and Spain in return for lossened Italian activity in Central Europe.

While French circles anticipate a maximum show of "brave words" in Rome, it is expected that the combined Anglo-French conciliatory efforts will have due influence with Il Duce, who, it is hoped, will endeavour to play the role of arbitrator rather than that of a potential disturber of peace.—Reuter.

No Pact Envisaged

Berlin, May 3.

Rumours current abroad that written agreements between Germany and Italy would be signed on the occasion of Herr Hitler's visit, find no confirmation in well-informed quarters here. Also the fact that Chancellor Hitler is accompanied by a number of prominent experts from various Ministries is not considered as a confirmation, for inquiries might become necessary which could be answered immediately by these experts.

It is declared here as a matter of course that the two statesmen will discuss a number of questions, besides those concerning exclusively their two countries, namely also such of general European importance as the Spanish problem, the Mediterranean question, the reunion of Austria with the Reich, the Anglo-French parleys in London and the Franco-Italian negotiations. —Trans-Ocean.

Imperial Houses United

Hohenzollern Prince Weds Romanoff Grand-duchess In Potsdam Ceremony

Berlin, May 2.

A brilliant religious wedding ceremony was held in the Cecilienhof Palace, in Potsdam, today, for the marriage of Grand Duchess Kyra of Russia to Prince Louis Ferdinand of Hohenzollern.

A large gathering of well-known noble families attended the ceremony. Among those present were the former Crown Prince Wilhelm and the former Crown Princess, Prince Ethel-Frederic of Hohenzollern, Prince and Princess Adalbert of Russia, Prince Auguste-Wilhelm, Prince Oscar of Russia, Grand Duke Cyril of Russia, Grand Dukes Dimitri and Vladimir.

Among those officially invited were the Queen of Denmark, the Crown Prince and Princess of Denmark, ex-King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, the Duke and Duchess of Saxe-Cobourg, and the Duke of Mecklembourg.

Today's ceremony was conducted by Archbishop Abamantof, of the Russian Orthodox Church in Wiesbaden.

During the service, the couple held up a huge white candle, while several intimate friends bore the Grand Duchess' heavy crown.

According to the Russian rites, there were no maids of honour.

A Protestant ceremony will be held at the Castle of Doorn in Holland on May 4.—Havas.

Brilliant Gathering at Doorn

Amsterdam, May 3.

Never before has the Chateau of Doorn seen such a crowd of royal guests as will be present tomorrow on the occasion of the wedding of Prince Louis Ferdinand of Prussia, grandson of former Kaiser Wilhelm, with Grand Duchess Kyra of Russia, daughter of Grand Duke Cyril who as the head of the Romanoff dynasty proclaimed himself Czar of all Russians in 1924.

The alliance between two members of the formerly ruling dynasties Hohenzollern and Romanoff is an international event even today.

The ceremony will take place in the modest private chapel and will be consecrated by Pastor Bruno Doehring of Potsdam.—Trans-Ocean.

Amah Killed When She Gives the Alarm

Columbia Road Robbery Ends in Murder

Shot when she tried to give the alarm, a Chinese amah was fatally wounded during an armed robbery last night in the outer Western District. The two robbers escaped before the police a arrived, and up to a late hour last night had not been arrested.

The two men, one of whom subsequently produced a pistol, entered a Chinese home at 9 Columbia Road, near the Cathedral School for Boys, at about 7.30 p.m. When they attempted to intimidate the occupants of the house, however, the amah tried to rush out, at the same time shouting for help.

The man with the revolver shot her, and the two men then turned and fled, without trying to steal anything. The amah died soon afterwards, the bullet having hit her in a vital spot.

Typhoon Threatens Hongkong

Shipping Takes Shelter In Junk Bay

Hongkong, May 3.

Remembering the havoc caused by a violent typhoon last summer, Hongkong took all possible precautions today when the No. 7 typhoon signal was hoisted.

As the force of the wind increased, all shipping left harbour to spend the night in Junk Bay, while smaller craft hurried to typhoon shelters.

Late this evening the wind had considerably abated, and it was believed that the typhoon had passed to the south of the Colony although its movements are erratic and difficult to follow owing to the lack of advices from Pratas, which is under Japanese occupation.

The typhoon signal is, however, still up.—Reuter.

Max Baer's Father Dies

San Leandro, Calif., May 2.

Mr. Jacob Baer, father of the former heavyweight Champion, Max Baer, and the younger fighter Buddy Baer, died today at his home after a long illness. Mr. Baer, 63 years old, had suffered a chronic heart ailment for three years and was released from Oakland hospital on March 20 after three months treatment.—United Press.

King Given Ovation at Empire Fair

Enthusiastic Crowds At Glasgow Exhibition

London, May 3.

In fine, sunny weather and before a crowd of 100,000 persons, the King, accompanied by the Queen, today opened the great Empire Exhibition at the Bella Houston Park at Glasgow.

His Majesty wore the uniform of an admiral and was surrounded on the royal stand by official representatives of the Dominions and other parts of the Empire.

In declaring the exhibition opened, the King referred to its magnitude and described it as a remarkable achievement.

Despite the fact that plans for the exhibition were prepared when Scotland was still under the clouds of the long industrial depression, His Majesty said, "Scotland was undaunted, for that has ever been her way.

"I see in the spirit in which the exhibition was built a symbol of the vitality and initiative on which the continued prosperity of Scotland must rest."

Empire's Support

Without generous help and support from the rest of the Empire, the King continued, the exhibition would not have been possible.

"Just as men and women have gone out of Scotland in the past to found new homes in countries overseas," he added, "so I hope that this exhibition will attract to Scotland many visitors from those distant lands."

The King's speech was in reply to a brief address by Lord Elgin, Chairman of the Development Committee, who said that they were inviting the world to see the British people taking a step forward in cultural, commercial and social activities.

The opening ceremony was begun with the Scottish air "Ye Gates, Lift Up Your Heads On High," to the tune of St. George's, Edinburgh, followed by a prayer by the Moderator of the Church of Scotland.

A salute was fired and 'planes dipped on the conclusion, with the breaking of all Empire flags.

Their Majesties spent the rest of the day in a tour of the Exhibition. The Queen wore a summery frock of pale grey and beige.

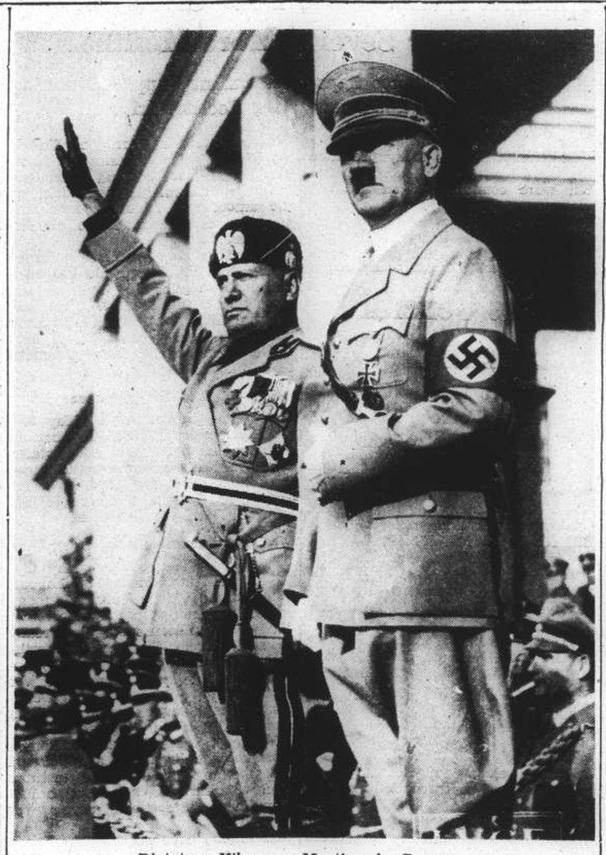
The speed with which the exhibition took shape is a source of pride to the promoters. The £10,000,000 "City of the Empire" was raised in only ten months. Yet everything was in readiness this morning for the arrival of the King and Queen, who had travelled during the night to Scotland in the royal train.

Remarkable Survey

The exhibition offers a remarkable survey of Empire activity. The United Kingdom, Scottish, Dominions and Colonial pavilions, in particular, present a graphic account of the life and work of the peoples of various parts of the Empire and their products.

The largest building in the exhibition is the Palace of Engineering, covering an area greater than Trafalgar Square and containing representative products of many of the most famous British firms.

Only a little smaller is one of two palaces of industry, and there are a large number of individual pavilions housing exhibits of particular branches of industry.—Reuter.



Dictators Who are Meeting in Rome

Signor Mussolini and Chancellor Adolf Hitler who are meeting in Rome to conduct negotiations regarding the relations between Italy and Germany. Important defence and political problems are expected to be discussed.

Chinese Smash Through Nippon Lines in South Shantung

Seven-Mile Advance Claimed As Counter-Attack Is Launched Against Spent Japanese Drive

Hankow, May 3.

AN advance of seven miles is claimed by the Chinese following the launching of a general offensive in south Shantung this morning.

"Delivering a smashing attack through the centre of the Japanese line situated north of Pihsien and east of Taierchwang," a telephone message from the front states, "the Chinese occupied Taliangpi and Siaoliangpi, two villages west of Szehucheng."

"The Japanese forces," the message adds, "are retreating northward."

Today's general offensive heralds the commencement of the decisive stage of the Shantung battle, according to the opinion of competent observers here, who had long expected the Chinese forces, which now total 800,000 men, to launch a crushing attack as soon as they found signs of the Japanese offensive becoming spent.

Following the arrival of 2,000 Japanese reinforcements, a Chinese military communique declares, the Japanese in north-east Taierchwang are launching attacks on Chinese positions in the vicinity of Hsinlungtsi and Yingchwang, "but the Chinese lines hitherto remain intact."

The Chinese Command is now watching closely the movements of Japanese troops in west Shantung, where Japanese reinforcements are being rushed to Tsining and Nanyangchen in preparation for a drive southward towards Kinghsiang and, eventually, Kweiteh, on the Lunghai Railway, west of Hsuchowfu.

A Chinese column, according to Chinese reports, has advanced to a point 40 kilometres north of Tenghsien towards Ninyang, which city is situated north-west of Yenchowfu.

800,000 Chinese Troops

Nearly 800,000 Chinese troops are massed in South Shantung for battle with the Japanese, according to an estimate made by a foreign observer arriving here today from the front. The observer reported a very heavy eastward movement of troops along the Lunghai Railway, saying he counted an average of 30 troops trains a day.

Passenger traffic, he added, was subject to serious delays because of these troop movements, the Hsuchow-Cheng-chow run, which normally takes 10 hours, now occupying three days. He was deeply impressed, the observer said, by the "healthy, cheerful and youthful appearance of the Chinese troops."

With the fighting in south Shantung producing no decisive result, the centre of hostilities in that province may be shifted to west Shantung, in the belief of Chinese circles here. The Japanese, they point out, are pouring reinforcements into west Shantung.

Japanese engineers are reported to be constructing a motor-road linking Lincheng, on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, with the east shore of Lake Weishan.

The Japanese, it is believed in Chinese quarters here, intend to try to cross the lake for a drive towards the Lunghai Railway west of Hsuchowfu.

Large bodies of Japanese reinforcements are reported to be pushing southward from Feichen, about 22 miles west of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway town of Taian. The vanguards of the Japanese are stated to have clashed with Chinese troops at a point south of Feichen.

Crack Kwangsi divisions under the command of General Li Ping-hsien are moving into west Shantung to cope with the situation.

Troops are also being moved in an attempt to check the advance of a Japanese column moving northward towards the Lunghai Railway from north-east Kiangsu.

Chinese and Japanese troops in this region are reported to be facing each other between Shanking and Yenchen, at a point roughly 90 miles from the Lunghai Railway.

Tancheng Threatened

Tancheng, in south-east Shantung, about 20 miles from the Lunghai Railway, has been completely encircled by Chinese troops and is expected to be the recaptured shortly, according to the latest military despatches from the front.

Chinese forces on the south side are reported to have reached villages only one kilometre south of Tancheng; on the west Chinese troops are attacking Matoucheng, possession of which means complete command of the Tancheng area; and on the east a Chinese flying column, after moving around the Japanese

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French Ask Czechs for Concessions To Sudeten German Party

Conciliatory Attitude Towards Minority Considered Essential ; Conference Due in Prague

Paris, May 2.

Putting into effect decisions reached at the Anglo-French conversations, M. Edouard Daladier, the Premier, and M. Georges Bonnet, the Foreign Minister, today asked Czechoslovakia to adopt a conciliatory spirit in attempting to settle differences with the Sudeten German Party, but without sacrificing Czechoslovakian integrity.

The French diplomats made their request in a formal statement which they forwarded to Dr. Stefan Osusky, Czechoslovakian Minister to France, Dr. Osusky will leave for Prague tonight to convey the message to Dr. Edward Benes, the President.—United Press.

Czechs to Confer

Prague, May 3.

Premier, Dr. Hodza, having recovered from a slight cold, the Czechoslovakian Cabinet will have a series of important conferences this week.

At first, the committee of Political Ministers will meet once more. The topic of discussion will be the situation created by the Anglo-French conversations and their consequences for the Czechoslovakian domestic policy. There, the Sudeten German claims raised by Dr. Konrad Henlein at Carlsbad and restated at the party's May Day celebrations, also the forthcoming statute of nationalities announced by the Czechoslovakian Government will again be under consideration.

The report of the Czechoslovakian Minister in Paris, Dr. Osusky, who was received by the Premier, M. Daladier, and the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, yesterday and who is expected in Prague today, will be of decisive importance.

The same applies to the report of the Czechoslovakian Minister to London, M. Jan Masaryk, who was asked to call on the British Foreign Secretary yesterday afternoon.

Foreign Minister Absent

Definite results of the conversations are, however, not expected before the end of the week, since the Czechoslovakian Foreign Minister, Dr. Milan Krofta, left last night for the Little Entente conference beginning at Dinaja tomorrow, and therefore can discuss the reports from Paris and London with the other Ministers only after his return.

Moreover the results of the Little Entente conference will be waited for.

The contents of the statute of nationalities is kept strictly secret, and utmost reserve is maintained at the present in government circles. In addition, the foreign political situation is not yet completely clarified, Herr Hitler's visit to Rome being considered here as overshadowing the events of the next few days.

Sudeten Injuries Admitted

A statement issued by the Czechoslovakian Government admits that three persons were injured during the Sudeten German demonstrations and Czech counter-demonstrations at Troppau last Saturday, when the police dispersed the demonstrators.

The communique adds that a high official of the Ministry of the Interior has been sent to Troppau and promises punishment in case the investigation should reveal the responsibility of any member of the executive for the "regrettable incident." —Trans-Ocean.

Czech Nationality Statute

London, May 3.

The Prague correspondent of "The Times" asserts that the new nationality statute which is now being drafted by the Czechoslovakian Government will make the following concessions to the Sudeten Germans and other nationalities:

1—The language law will be modified in such a way that the German language will be recognized as an official language on an equal footing with the Czech and Slovak languages.

2—All national groups will be granted cultural autonomy and will be allowed to create separate financial systems for cultural expenditure.

3—The nationalities will maintain their own administration as far as cultural and educational matters are concerned.

4—The language of the respective minorities will be introduced as an official language in all branches of cultural and educational administration, including schools.

5—Proportional appointment of officials of the various nationality groups.

6—The various nationalities will receive a proportional share of contracts for public works.

7—Establishment of a special control bureau with proportional representation of nationalities in order to ensure that the nationality statute is applied in all fairness.

The diplomatic correspondent of "The Times" regards it as probable that the British Government's first step as a mediator in the Sudeten German question will be made at Prague already during the next few days.

Official quarters in London, however, emphasize that the problem must be settled above all by direct negotiations between the Czechoslovakian Government and the leader of the Sudeten German Party, Dr. Konrad Henlein.—Trans-Ocean.

Seaplane Crashes in Hongkong Harbour

Hongkong, May 3.

Lieutenant Brown and Aircraftsman Page from the British cruiser Birmingham (9,000 tons) were rescued unhurt today after their seaplane crashed on landing in the harbour. The machine was sunk. —Reuter.

Agreement on Chinese Loans Made Public

Temporary Plan for Occupied Areas

London, May 3.

An agreement between Great Britain and Japan regarding the servicing of foreign obligations secured on the Chinese Maritime Customs, operative for the period of hostilities, is published in London and Tokyo today. The conclusion of the agreement was announced in the "North-China Daily News" yesterday.

The agreement provides that all revenues collected within the areas of Japanese occupation will be deposited in the Yokohama Specie Bank.

Foreign loan quotas will be remitted to the Inspector-General of Customs to meet full servicing relevant to foreign loans, and will be treated as the first charge on revenues after the deduction of administration expenses.

Arrangements have also been made in the Agreement to pay the Japanese Government the Japanese portion of the Boxer Indemnity held in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank since September.

It is understood that the United States and France do not propose to raise any objection to the temporary application of these arrangements.

Text of Communique

The text of the communiqué is as follows:—

"Unofficial conversations have been taking place since February last, between the British Ambassador and the Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs regarding the servicing of foreign obligations secured on the Chinese Maritime Customs, and other relevant matters.

"As a result of this exchange of views, the Japanese Government has notified the British Government, in the United Kingdom, of the temporary measures it proposes to take, during the period of hostilities, to regulate these matters.

"In reply, the Japanese Government has received assurances that the British Government will, for its part, offer no objection to the application of these measures for the period mentioned.

"It is further understood that the Governments of the United States and France do not propose to raise any objection to the temporary application of these arrangements, which will be subject to reconsideration in the event of a radical change occurring in economic conditions.

"All revenues collected by the Customs at each port within areas under Japanese occupation are to be deposited with the Yokohama Specie Bank.

"From the revenues thus deposited, foreign loan quotas will be remitted to the Inspector-General of Customs to meet in full the servicing of foreign loans and indemnities secured on the Customs revenue.

First Charge On Revenue

"The servicing of such foreign loans and indemnities will be treated as the first charge on the revenue, after deducting the maintenance expenses of the Customs Administration and certain Customs payments and grants.

"Foreign loan quotas for each port will be determined monthly in proportion to the share of that port in the total gross collections for all ports during the preceding month.

"Arrangements will be made for payment to the Japanese Government of the arrears of the Japanese portion of the Boxer Indemnity held at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank since last September.

"Arrangements will also be made:

"For meeting future payments in respect of the Japanese portion of the Boxer Indemnity and the Japanese share of the Reorganization Loan of 1913;

"For re-payment of the overdraft incurred by the Inspector-General of Customs since January in relation to the Shanghai share of the foreign loan service, which has been accumulating in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, at Shaghai

"For the transfer to the Yokohama Specie Bank of the balance of the Customs accounts with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in each port under Japanese occupation, and its utilization for the future servicing of foreign obligations.

"The arrangements referred to in this communiqué are the result of negotiations conducted by the British Ambassador in Tokyo, Sir Robert Craigie, with the Japanese Government since last February.

"The arrangements, having regard to the military situation in the Far East, appear to the British Government to offer the best guarantee obtainable for safeguarding the interests of the holders of China's foreign obligations secured on the Customs revenues and, by this, assist in maintaining China's credit."—Reuter.

Economic Policy in U.S. Criticized

Chase National Bank Head On Roosevelt Plans

New York, May 3.

Several prominent American businessmen gave their opinion on the present economic situation in the United States at the annual congress of the American Chamber of Commerce.

The President of the Chase National Bank of New York, upheld the policy of commercial accords being advocated by the Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull. He bitterly criticized the programme of expenses recently submitted to Congress by President Roosevelt. He particularly attacked the possibility of an increase in the national debt which at present amounts to about $37,000,000,000.

He criticized the policy of easy credits, as well as the excess hoarding of unused bank reserves.

"In the policy of expenses and in that of credits," he said, "we appear to have rejected all safeguard measures, taken off all brakes, and seem to be heading for a catastrophe."

In conclusion, he proposed a two to three years pause, during which the Government would not attempt any new economic experiments, while the Administration and trade and industry leaders would examine in common all necessary reforms.—Havas.

British Navy Truck Halted

Seaforths Turn Out At Consulate When Japanese Seize Sergeant ; Protests Lodged

FORMAL protests were being lodged yesterday by the British military authorities and the Senior Naval Officer with the Japanese authorities in connection with an incident on the Garden Bridge yesterday morning, when a British army sergeant was twice seized by the arm by a Japanese military policeman after the latter attempted to force a motor lorry containing British naval stores to return to Hongkew. No further steps beyond the filing of the protests is contemplated at the moment, it is understood.

The incident occurred at about 8.15 a.m. when a motor lorry, driven by a Chinese chauffeur in the employ of the naval contractor, stopped at the barrier at the middle of the Garden Bridge. The lorry contained British naval stores, which were being taken from a godown in the Hongkew district to the French Bund, where they were to be placed on a British ship and taken down to Hongkong. Seated beside the driver was a British naval rating while the motor lorry—one of two which make frequent journeys to and fro across the Garden Bridge—flew a small Union Jack.

A Japanese gendarme mounted the step on the lorry and after examining the pass issued to the Chinese driver by the Japanese naval authorities, promptly confiscated it and told the driver to return to Hongkew. The naval rating, however, after expostulating with the gendarme, instructed the driver to proceed down to the gate of the British Consulate, where two men of the Seaforth Highlanders were stationed on sentry duty.

The Japanese gendarme remained in the lorry as it drove down the bridge and as it stopped in front of the sentries called the Japanese naval sentries down from the bridge, at the same time reiterating his "order" that the lorry return to Hongkew.

After a short discussion, the sergeant in charge of the Seaforth Highlanders party on duty at the Consulate told the driver of the lorry to proceed on to his destination, without his pass, which the gendarme continued to retain.

Sergeant Pulled About

This was done, under extreme protest from the Japanese, who thereupon tried to get the British sergeant to go with him either to the Garden Bridge or into Hongkew—it is not quite certain which he intended. The sergeant refused to do so, and the gendarme, considerably excited by this time, twice caught hold of the sergeant by the arm and tried to drag him towards the bridge.

The British soldier resisted the attempts of his smaller adversary and the guard was turned out, with fixed bayonets. After a few moments, reason prevailed and the Japanese returned to the Garden Bridge.

Later in the morning, a British naval officer proceeded to make an official call on the headquarters of the Japanese Naval Landing Party, where he was handed back the confiscated pass. It is understood that in reply to his question as to the reason for the gendarme having taken the action he did, the Japanese reply was that the gendarme thought he saw a "case of ammunition" in the lorry.

No Excuse

The Japanese authorities were informed that the lorry contained stores only and no ammunition and that, in any event, if there had been ammunition on the British naval lorry that would not have excused the gendarme's action.

The British military authorities issued the following statement in the matter:—

"At about 8.20 a.m. on May 3 a lorry containing British naval stores, driven by a Chinese and escorted by a British naval rating, arrived at the British Consulate-General, Bund entrance, from the direction of the Garden Bridge.

"Seated in the lorry beside the driver was a member of the Japanese military police who ordered the lorry to be driven back to the Bridge, at the same time calling his sentries down from the Bridge.

"The Japanese tried to persuade the sergeant of the British guard at the Consulate-General to accompany him back to the Garden Bridge and, in trying to compel him to do so, twice seized the British sergeant by the arm. The latter refused to accompany him, whereupon the Japanese returned to the Garden Bridge."

Japanese Detain British Vessel

Gendarmes Board the Ship And Search for Ingots ; Vessel Later Released

The Butterfield & Swire ss. Kingyuan was stopped by the Japanese authorities off Jukong Wharf, on Monday at 1 p.m., when she was sailing out of the harbour on her way to Swatow, Hongkong and Indo China ports. Some 30 Japanese gendarmes went aboard, and conducted a thorough search of the ship. No goods were seized, nor were any arrests reported and the vessel was allowed to continue her journey at 2.30 p.m., when the search was completed and the gendarmes left the ship.

There were some 300 passengers aboard at the time of the incident, and it was supposed that the Japanese authorities hoped to find among these persons responsible for the attempt to remove ingots allegedly belonging to the Chinese National Government Mint. They also searched the ship to ascertain that no ingots were transported. It appears that the examination proved that there were no ingots in the vessel.

Saturday's Search

In connection with the stopping of the ss. Kingyuan, it may be recalled that the Japanese gendarmes interfered in the loading of this ship, prior to this voyage, when some 30,000 nickel and copper ingots were being loaded for shipping outport.

The Japanese authorities claimed on February 25 the ingots in question, as a property of the National Government of China which they no longer recognise, and whose property they claim on behalf of the newly formed "Reformed Government." The French authorities, in whose territory the goods are stored, did not permit the seizure to take place. It is said that an understanding was reached to the effect that the disputed ingots were to remain on the concession, until the controversy is finally settled.

When it was learned that the ingots were loaded into the ss. Kingyuan for shipping outport, the Japanese authorities stopped the loading and requested the French authorities to prevent the removal of the metal. French Police arrived on the scene and ordered that the ingots be returned to the godown, which was immediately complied with, and the Japanese left the French Bund.

Interference Protested

The foreign companies who consigned the metal for shipment to Singapore via Hongkong, made representations to their consular authorities protesting against the interference. They stated that the metal in question was offered to the Chinese Government Mint, but was never sold to them, and hence was always the property of foreign firms. It is understood that the shipment was duly passed by the Customs, and the transportation legally correct.

It was also said that since the shipping permits were given, it was unnecessary to notify the concession authorities of the projected removal of the ingots, since the cargo belonged to foreign firms.

It is understood that the owners of the illegally detained ship have referred the matter to their consular authorities who are to take the matter up with the authorities concerned.

C.N.A.C. to Have New Airliner

Douglas Craft For Service Chungking to Hongkong

Chungking, May 3.

A new Douglas air-liner will shortly supplement the China National Aviation Corporation's machines on the Chungking-Hongkong and Chungking-Hankow routes.

The plane is at present being assembled in Hongkong, and is expected to make its maiden flight in about ten days' time.

There will be no alteration of the present time-table. The new machine will fly on either route as the demand arises.

It will be the third air-liner of this type to operate on China's internal airways system.—Reuter.

Mr. R. G. Howe Given Post in F.O.

London, May 3.

Mr. R. G. Howe, former British Charge d'Affaires in China, has taken charge of the Far Eastern Department of the Foreign Office.

Mr. Howe, who is 44 years of age, left for home on the arrival in China of Sir Archibald Kerr, the British Ambassador.—Reuter.

U.S. Will Have Monster Battleships If Other Powers Begin to Build

Senate Approves Expenditure ; Germany, Italy, France Reported Constructing Super-fast Vessels

Washington, May 2.

While the Senate approved today by a vote of 56 to twenty the Naval Committee's amendent to the Naval Expansion Bill authorizing the construction of war vessels totalling 135,000 tons which is sufficient to build three 45,000-ton dreadnaughts, the Navy Department learned that Germany and Italy would soon have the fastest battleships in modern history.

Although adopting the amendment, the Senate attached the Vandenberg provision, limiting the United States to constructing 35,000-ton battleships unless the President obtained information that another power was actually building larger vessels.

Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, Republican of Michigan, desired to resist new battleships to 35,000-tons unless conferences between signatories of the London Naval Treaty could definitely determine that the treaty limitations were no longer being observed.

The Senate, by leaving the final word to the President, practically eliminated Senator Vandenberg's amendment since the Administration, including the President, have already indicated their conviction Japan is exceeding the limitations of the London Treaty.

Fast Battleships

The Navy Department reported that Germany and Italy were constructing two battleships capable of a speed of at least thirty knots compared with the fastest American capital ships' speed of 21 knots at present.

The battleships Washington and North Carolina, however, will be able to attain a speed of 27 or 28 knots.

The Navy Department admitted that if ships of the foreign powers reach expectations of greater speed, they may necessitate revision of American battleship construction.

The French 35,000-ton battleships Richelieu and Jean Bart were reported to be capable of travelling above thirty knots.

Some quarters believed that such speedy war vessels would not only seriously threaten the power of slower ships, but may revolutionize naval construction.

America's fastest cruisers, it was pointed out, are only capable of covering 32½ knots.—United Press.

French Issue Decrees Aiming At Financial Stability

Eight Per Cent. Tax Increase, Also Surtax on War Industries' Profits Among Measures Introduced

Paris, May 3.

THE first series of decree laws, aiming at increased production, extension of credit and financial reform, has been approved by the Council of Ministers. The decree laws provide for a uniform increase of eight per cent. in direct and indirect taxes and also for a surtax on firms working for national defence. It has been announced that the National Defence Loan with be issued at a later date.

The decrees also provide for reductions in taxation for firms improving their plants.

Exporters will be helped by a certain measure of exemption from taxation and tax reductions will also be granted to landlords who replace slum property.

The decrees aim at making it easier for firms to secure credit.

The tourist industry, as one of the main industries, will be helped by the reduction of railway fares and a reduction in the cost of petrol for tourists staying more than six days. Petrol is being generally increased by approximately two-pence a gallon.

A report to the President, M. Albert Lebrun, in connection with the decrees, states that the Government has judged it necessary to facilitate the granting of credits to the whole of French economy, and especially to firms which are working for the state.

Cash More Easily Secured

Under the present system, firms supplying the state will be able to secure cash even when their contract is not completely fulfilled.

The Government describes the system, involving an increase of Bills, as simply making better use of the resources of the money market and as in no way being inflation.

Two decrees submitted to the Council of Ministers by M. Albert Sarraut, Minister of the Interior, designed to tighten up control of foreigners in France, were also approved.

The Council of Ministers unanimously expressed satisfaction at the results of the Anglo-French talks in London after a three-hour meeting at which M. Daladier, the Premier, and M. Bonnet, the Foreign Minister, reported on the conversations.—Reuter.

Purposes Explained

Paris, May 3.

An increase in production with a resultant general economic recovery is the main object of the new decree laws passed by the Council of Ministers yesterday, according to a Government announcement this morning.

The announcement pointed out that normal receipts of the country were not sufficient to allow for financial recovery, therefore it was necessary to increase production which could bring about such a recovery.

The decree laws aim principally at favouring the needed increase by a financial purification and by the completion of a programme spread over a minimum period of two years.

The measures endeavour to establish budgetary balance. Several exceptional expenses are reintegrated in the ordinary budget, which is thus increased by about Frs. 3,800,000,000.

The Government has decided to limit the new fiscal effort to this increase which is considered exceptional, as it corresponds to the present necessities of national defence.

The exceptional national contribution is in the form of an eight per cent. increase in all direct and indirect taxes, a measure which will bring in an additional Frs. 3,200,000,000.

Tariff to be Revised

Customs duties have not been raised. However, a tariff revision will be completed before July 31, 1938, in order to improve the country's economic possibilities and to develop colonial and domestic production. This revision will bring in about Frs. 200,000,000.

Finally, an increase in taxes affecting profits made by war industry concerns working for national defence will bring the remaining Frs. 400,000,000 required.

The measures concerning production tend to bring about a business recovery. The tourist trade has been particularly favoured by numerous reductions on railway fares and gasoline from which foreigners residing in France will benefit.

The building trade will be favoured by an increased fight against slums.

Several economic measures aim at bringing greater elasticity in the application of the forty-hour week law and allowing for some derogations.

Measures concerning credits will facilitate an increase in production the compulsory acceptance of bills allowing tradesmen and industrialists to obtain with greater ease ready money at interest rates more favourable than bank credits.

The Givernment intends to enforce other measures which will complete the provisions in order to allow for a complete recovery in national economy.—Havas.

Measures Affecting Foreigners

Paris, May 3.

The decree with regard to measures concerning foreigners residing in France, which was passed by the Council of Ministers yesterday, will not in any way affect the traditional rules of French hospitality, it was emphasized today.

Any foreigner who does not deserve France's hospitality will be severely dealt with.

All foreigners who have not informed the authorities concerned of their presence in the country within a month's period, will be expelled from the country. Those who have been ordered to leave French territory but are unable for various reasons to return to their own country will have to remain in a certain district and will be subject to surveillance.

All landlords must notify the authorities of the presence of foreigners in their establishments. Finally, severe measures will be taken against holders of forged passports.

A foreigner whose presence in the country is considered undesirable will be notified to that effect and accompanied to the frontier by an official.

The surveillance of frontiers will be reinforced, while special credits will be granted for the transportation to the borders of those foreigners who have no perronal means.—Havas.

Conte Verde Sails Tomorrow 11 a.m.

Siamese Prince Delayed; Danmark Is Expected At Buoys Nos. 15 and 16

The ss. Conte Verde is to sail from the Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side, for Brindisi, Venice and Trieste via Hongkong, Manila, Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Massowa and Port Said, tomorrow at 11 a.m. The hour of departure was previously announced as 11.30 a.m. and the company wishes to bring to the attention of the passengers that the ship is now to leave at 11 a.m. The passenger tender is to leave the Customs Jetty at 9 a.m. Heavy luggage should be delivered to Messrs. Marden & Co. before 5 p.m. today. Customs permits will be required for all nailed cases. The foreign registered mail intended to catch this ship should be posted before 7 p.m. today, the China registered before 8 a.m. tomorrow, and ordinary before 8.30 a.m.

The ss. Siamese Prince has been delayed by fog off Woosung. She is expected to make this port at 1 a.m. today, and to sail from the Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side, tomorrow, for New York via Moji.

The Blue Funnel Line expect tomorrow their ss. Tyndareus from Vancouver. The N.D.L. ss. Frankfurt is expected from Europe and way ports, tomorrow in the morning, at the Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side. She is announced to sail on the following day, for Japan ports.

Danmark Arrives

The East Asiatic Co. announce that their mv. Danmark is due from Europe and way ports, today at about 6 a.m. at buoys Nos. 15-16.

The N.Y.K. ss. Shanghai Maru leaves today at about 9 a.m., for Nagasaki. Ordinary mail to catch this ship should be posted before 7.15 a.m. The O.S.K. ss. Canton Maru arrives this morning from Formosa, and is to sail back to that island, on May 5.

The J.C.J. Line announce that their ss. Tjisadane sails for Amoy, Hongkong, Manila, Cebu, Macassar, Bali, Sourabaya and Java, tomorrow at about 11 a.m. from the A.P.C. Lower Wharf. The passenger tender, leaves the Customs Jetty at 9.30 a.m. Registered mail for this vessel should be posted before 7 p.m. today, and ordinary before 7.30 a.m. tomorrow.

Coastal Departures

B. & S. announce that their ss. Shengking sails from the French Bund, for Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin, today at 10 a.m. Ordinary mail to catch this ship should be posted before 7.30 a.m. The same company's ss. Hsin Peking leaves the same bund today at 4 p.m., for Ningpo, taking registered mail for that port which is to be posted before 12.30 p.m., and ordinary before 1 p.m.

The Jardine, Matheson & Co. ss. Leesang sails for Wenchow, Swatow, Hongkong and Canton, from the Roosevelt Terminal Wharf, today at 3 p.m. Registered mail for this ship should be posted before noon, and ordinary before 12.30 p.m. B. & S. ss. Taiyuan leaves for Amoy, Hongkong and Canton, today at 6 a.m. Another B. & S. vessel, the ss. Luchow leaves the French Bund, tomorrow at 2 p.m., for Foochow and Wenchow.

Passengers

Among those who left in the ss. Empress of Russia, or Hongkong and Manila, yesterday, were:—

Dr. Mei Lan-fang, Mr. T. Beck, Mr. A. E. Fenton, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bridges, Mr. W. D. Barker, the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hall, Mr. F. S. Elias, Mr. R. A. Finlay, Miss W. Hunton, Mr. H. Kopelman, ... H. Kinstein, Mr. L. Kunstein, Miss J. Petrie, Mr. L. Raphaely, Mr. and Mrs. Remington, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stewart, Mr. W. J. Kelly, Mr. H. J. Kaerger, Mr. W. C. Kent, Mrs. G. Rathje, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Desai, Mr. K. Pranlal, Mr. V. M. Modi, Mr. A. K. Grondahl, Mr. and Mrs. R. Z. Levi, Mr. J. S. G. Horn, Mr. W. D. Denham, Mr. W. S. Murray, Mr. F. L. Kilbourne, Mrs. A. McGlauflin, and Miss E. White Thompson.

Among those who left in the ss. Patroclus for Japan and North China ports, this Saturday, were:—

Mr. J. Maxwell, Miss E. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Cassels, Mr. and Mrs. T. Sands, Maj. and Mrs. P. E. C. J. Gwyn, Mr. M. McDonald, Mr. S. A. Wallace, Lieut. and Mrs. Laure and child, Mrs. Jacomy and four children, Mrs. Groemer, Miss Todd, the Rev. Father Pelihard, Mrs. Batz and daughter, Mr. A. Gutbetzal, Mr. A. Poretzky, Mr. S. F. Bitting, Mr. G. V. Crowe, Mr. J. Vanturini, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Fisher and Miss Fisher.

Among those who left in the ss. Sarpedon, for U. K. via ports, this Sunday, were:

Mrs. and Miss Breakspear, Mrs. G. H. White and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. L. Uydens and three children, Miss Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Noel G. Pells, Mr. O. T. Breakspear, Lieut. R. E. Hardman-Jones, Mr. W. Hill, Mr. A. McVean, Mr. and Mrs. D. Beare and infant, Mr. G. W. Swire, Mrs. Findlay, Dr. H. Couper Patrick, Mr. E. S. Bull, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tibble, Mr. E. P. Willens, Mrs. A. M. Hubbard, Mr. W. C. A. Freeman, Mr. W. F. Rehfus, Mr. and Mrs. F. Reiber, Mr. G. R. C. Harper, Dr. P. Peiser, Mr. C. E. Kirby, Mr. Zalunin, Mr. and Mrs. V. Desborough, Miss J. Desborough, Mr. J. Barwick, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. C. Mummery, Miss J. E. Judah, Miss V. N. Koovshinoff, Mr. Th. Kregczy, Mrs. J. Shaefer, Mrs. E. Shimanskava, Mr. F. Januschek, Mr. M. Konstantinoff, and Mr. M. Borisoff.

Among those who are leaving in the ss. Shenking, for North China ports, today, are:

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Savchook, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gunther, Mr. and Mrs. C. Heunemann and infant, the Rev. and Mrs. M. A. Farren, Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Dr. and Mrs. Stinnes, Mrs. Atcheson, Miss K. L. Densford, Sgts. Runneau, Lastenant, Borneau; Commdt. and Mme Fischer, Mr. C. N. Sherman, Mr. Coghill, Mr. M. Smith, Mr. F. H. Cobb, Mr. H. Conrad, Dr. Layton Stewart, Mrs. Fiscourt and two children, Bishop Norris, Mr. D. A. Cantbell, Miss Canvin, Mrs. E. F. Clarke, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Daroso and two children, Mr. Brossillon and two children, Mr. and Mrs. Whitlow, Mr. R. H. Beer, Mr. H. Olivera, Mrs. Boyer and child, and Miss L. M. S. Ozorio.

Among those sailing today in the ss. Taiyuan, for South China ports, are:

Mrs. A. Hetzberg, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Artlett, Mrs. Maxwell and son, Capt. J. McRobert, and Bishop Hind.

Chinese Smash Through Nippon Lines in South Shantung

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flank and reaching a point behind Tancheng, has launched an attack upon the city from the north-east.

Successes in the Wuhu sector are also claimed by the Chinese. According to a Chinese military communique, Chinese troops are converging on Hsuanchen, an important railway and highway town near Wuhu, in three columns from the south, west and south-west.

The column from the south-west is said to have reached a point only 400 metres from the city, that from the west is claimed to be only two kilometres distant, while the detachment from the south is reported to have captured Sunchaipu after very severe street fighting.

Chinese Confidence

Confidence in the ability of the Chinese forces to repulse the Japanese drive in south Shantung was expressed last night by General Chen Chen, Minister of the Political Affairs Department of the Generalissimo's headquarters and concurrently Garrison Commander of the Wuhan area.

Even if the Japanese succeeded in occupying the entire Tientsin-Pukow Railway, General Chen said, the Chinese would continue to put up effective resistance, while Japanese difficulties in China would increase with a further penetration into Chinese territory.

The Japanese forces in Shansi, he asserted, had been forced to abandon their line of defence and were now only holding points, many of which had already been captured by Chinese troops.

"If the Japanese in Shansi do not receive further reinforcements," General Chen stated, "we will drive them out of the province shortly."

Unity Assured

Despite many subversive rumours, spread to create internal dissension among the Chinese, national solidarity and unity in China were never greater than today, declared Mr. Chow Fu-hai, newly-appointed Minister of Publicity of the Central Kuomintang.

Contrary to a general belief, he added, military reverses only strengthened China's determination to resist the Japanese.

Mr. Chow reported that if the election of delegates in various provinces could be completed according to schedule, the National People's Political Council was expected to hold its first meeting on June 1, thereby enabling the early participation by the Chinese public in Government affairs.—Reuter.

Japanese Claims

Latest developments in Southern Shantung are "definitely in favour of the Japanese troops," a spokesman for the Army said yesterday morning.

Asked to elaborate on the nature of the "developments", the spokesman said he lacked information, which would make anything he could say "pure fiction."

In the areas north and south-east of Liyang, west of Lake Tai, he said, several small guerilla bands were observed. "As these groups showed no offensive, they are thought to be remnants of defeated troops", he added.

Near Fowning

Nanking, May 3.

Japanese troops driving northward towards the Lunghai Railway this noon were within a striking distance of Fowning, an important Chinese military base 100 klms. south of Haichow.

Early this morning, the Sato detachment occupied Kowantun, 12 klms. south-east of Fowning, and immediately began to advance upon the latter.—Domei.

Anhwei Town Falls

Wuhu, May 3.

Pushing rapidly through central Anhwei, Japanese troops advancing westward from the Yangtze on Saturday night occupied the important walled town of Chaohsien, it was announced here yesterday.

The town lies on the western bank of Lake Chao, about 62 klms. southeast of Hofei, the most important Chinese military base in Anhwei.

Since their occupation of Hohsien on April 24, the Totoki, Okayama, Shibuta and Koga detachments had covered about 55 klms. and occupied the walled town of Hanshan.—Domei.

Pakonghow Bombed

Japanese naval air units on Monday bombed freight car concentrations and tracks north of Pakonghow, an important station on the Canton-Hankow Railway, a naval spokesman announced yesterday.

Chinese People Warned

Peiping, May 3.

A stern warning to the Chinese populace to take no step prejudicial to the military operations of the Japanese army was issued here last night by the headquarters of the Expeditionary Force in North China.

The statement was issued in response to Gen. Chiang Kai-shek's order to his co-nationals on Sunday night to return to their homes and take an active part in guerilla warfare against the Japanese forces.

Gen. Chiang's directions, the army statement said, "represent a definite indication that the Chinese troops are suffering enormous losses in their engagements with the Japanese troops."

The warning enjoined the general public to remain at ease, to place full confidence in the Japanese authorities, and to refrain from actions tending to prejudice Japanese military operations.—Domei.

Bombing on Lunghai

Tsingtao, May 3.

Japanese naval planes yesterday "effectively bombed" eastbound trains on the Lunghai Railway near Tofeng and Chinese troop concentrations near Sunchiatien and Shihlimiao, according to a communique released this evening by Japanese naval authorities.

Naval planes on May 1 bombed about 30 cars at a point west of Sinanchen on the Lunghai line and most of them were smashed to pieces, the communique said.—Domei.

21 Killed in Bus Crash

Lisbon, May 3.

In a motor bus crash near Viana Castelo, 21 persons were killed and 19 injured today, it was reported here.—United Press.

Spanish Nationalists Fear Civil War May Last for Several More Months

General Franco Says Government Supplies Running Short; Loyalists Ready for Counter-drive

Vinaroz, May 2.

Nationalist leaders today predicted the war may last many more months, but were confident of an ultimate victory.

The Nationalists said that the fight for control of the entire Mediterranean coast, including the provinces of Gerona, Catalonia, Tarragona, Castellon and Valencia and also the territory further south, would be of long duration and mainly dependent on the amount of materials and man power reserves available to the Republicans.

Generalissimo Francisco Franco claims the Republicans do not have sufficient supplies and men to last more than a few months. The leaders said that Gen. Franco has placed his forces into position for a final triple drive on Barcelona, Valencia, and Madrid.—United Press.

Nationalists Advance

Salamanca, May 3.

A Nationalist Spanish headquarters communiqué issued last night, stated that the Nationalis troops advanced ten kilometres in the Alfambra sector despite heavy rain, and are now beyond El Pobo.—Trans-Ocean.

Republicans Strike Back

Hendaye, May 3.

The Catalan Minister of Labour, Sr. Rafael Vidella, arrived today from Perpignan with the report that 320,000 Republican troops are ready to strike from the east and northeast in an effort to recapture hydro-electric plants near Tremp. It was reported that the Government would also attempt to relieve pressure on Seo de Urgel and Puigcerda.

Meanwhile the Catalan Sr. Ramon Rosique, was dispatched as a political delegate to Puigcerda to institute penal measures in an effort to halt Republican desertions across the French and Andorran borders. Huge searchlights have been set up on the frontier, illuminating mountain passes and highways to discourage diserstion attempts.—United Press.

U.S. Arms Embargo

Washington, May 2.

Senator Gerald P. Nye, Republican of North Dakota, introduced a resolution today calling for repeal of the embargo on arms shipments to Spain. He said the purpose of the embargo had not been served.—United Press.

Japan's General Mobilization

Act to Be Partially Put Into Force; Resources To Be Controlled

Tokyo, May 3.

The Japanese Government has decided to promulgate an Imperial Ordinance partially enforcing the Bill for General Mobilization of the nation in time of war from May 5.

The Mobilization Bill, it will be recalled, was presented by the Konoye Cabinet to the House of Representatives on February 19, and is considered by many political leaders to give the Government unduly wide authority to act under Imperial Ordinances without consulting the Diet.

The articles of the Bill which it is now proposed to enforce are Articles 1, 2, 3, 13, 21, 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, 50, and also relevant articles providing penalties for contravention of the law.

By these articles, it is provided that personal and commodity resources shall be controlled and utilized to "display most effectively the entire force of the nation for the purpose of attaining the object of national defence in time of war (including incidents of the nature of war)".

The articles mentioned give the Government power to "use or control or expropriate plants and working establishments belonging to the undertaking of general mobilization enterprises, or other facilities and the entire facilities or part of them that could be used for such purposes."

Land Expropriation

The Government is also entitled to use or expropriate land, houses and other working facilities necessary for general mobilization enterprises, and to causes "subjects of the Empire, or those employing or using subjects of the Empire, to report on items pertaining to their vocational ability, or examine the vocational ability of the subjects of the Empire."

Those producing or selling or importing general mobilization goods may be required to store a fixed quantity of such goods, and owners of general mobilization enterprises may, in time of war, be required to establish programmes pertaining to general mobilization, or conduct necessary drills based on such programmes.

The articles also provide for compulsory research work, subsidies for firms producing or repairing general mobilization materials, and inspection of firms by Government officials.

Article 50 provides for the establishment of a National General Mobilization Enquiry Commission in connection with the enforcement of the law.

Punishments for those contravening the law range from five-year prison terms with hard labour for public officers who give away State secrets, to imprisonment for five months or a fine of Yen 500, and other lesser punishments.—Reuter.

U.S. Still in Far East Shipping Service

Commission Outlines Some Essential Operations

Washington, May 2.

The Maritime Commission is undertaking a U.S.$100,000 programme calling for the construction of 24 ships, including three modern passengers liners, on an improved President Coolidge design, for operation in the Pacific, the chairman of the Commission said today in a letter to Senator William Gibbs McAdoo, Democrat of California and member of the Committee on Territories and Insular Affairs.

"I am determined," the letter read, "that the Pacific coast area requires the maintenance of the American flag on at least six essential routes." The important runs listed were: the Australia, South America, Europe, southern Pacific coast to the Orient, north Pacific coast to the Orient, and round the world.

The Commission is making efforts to find private capital to finance the programme but failure to find it will not affect completion of the programme, the letter said.—United Press.

Prisoners Break Out Of U.S. Jail

Indiana Officials Search For Escaped Conviets

Michigan City, May 2.

Four long-term prisoners escaped from the Indiana state prison today and kidnapped Melvin Breining of Michigan City, whose automobile they commandeered.

Prison authorities discovered the escape during a routine five p.m. roll call. The officers said Mr. Breining was seized as he waited outside the Burnham glove factory for his fiancé. The glove factory is approximately half a mile from the prison.

The prisoners were believed to have escaped from the prison yard in a railway car loaded with empty drums from the prison soap factory. The box car was left just outside the prison walls on a siding, waiting to be picked up later.—United Press.

Ambulance Stopped

A Settlement ambulance called to Hungjao Road was prevented from passing the railway crossing by Japanese sentries yesterday morning at about 7 o'clock. The vehicle was called to convey to hospital a Chinese said to have been shot in the area controlled by the Japanese. A Japanese doctor, it was reported, was asked to attend the Chinese. The whereabouts of the wounded person and the nature of his wound were not known last night.

Customs Integrity To Be Preserved

Documents on Agreement Being Studied by Hankow Government

Hankow, May 3.

The Chinese Government is carefully studying the documents and will issue an official statement on the subject in a day or two, declared a Chinese spokesman today when interviewed concerning China's attitude towards the Anglo-Japanese agreement regarding the servicing of foreign obligations secured on the Chinese Maritime Customs.

It is reliably learned that, in principle, the Chinese authorities remain firm in their attitude to uphold the integrity of the Chinese Customs administration, and also desire to maintain the services of foreign loans secured on Customs revenues.

On the other hand, it is admitted here that, with Shanghai at present under Japanese armed occupation, the Japanese will do their utmost to control the revenues of the Shanghai Customs.

According to well-informed circles, it is probable that the Chinese authorities will reiterate their stand that the integrity of the Chinese Customs must be respected and their desire that the services of foreign loans must observed.

The matter is believed to have been discussed between the Chinese and British authorities with a view to finding a satisfactory solution to this very delicate problem.—Reuter.

London Newspapers Interested

Customs Loan Agreement Benefit to China

London, May 3.

All newspapers here today give prominence to the Anglo-Japanese Agreement regarding the servicing of foreign obligations secured on the Chinese Customs, although the announcement was made too late last night for comment.

The City is favourably impressed, and Chinese Customs loans made a substantial advance today. Financiers believe that the arrangement, besides supporting Chinese credit, is likely to benefit the Chinese otherwise.

The "Manchester Guardian" recalls, in contrast with the present situation, the warning issued by a Chinese Miniser in Hankow in February that the loan service might have to be discontinued owing to the smallness of receipts.—Reuter.

American Sentenced to Year Imprisonment

Man Arrested in Police Raid On Gambling Den

Theodore C. Garrett, American, and Max S'a, Filipino, were sentenced by Judge Milton J. Helmick in the U. S. Court for China yesterday afternoon to one year's imprisonment and six months' imprisonment together with a fine of U.S.$100 respectively on gambling charges.

The sentences were suspended. In the case of Garrett, it was suspended for one year on the condition of his departure from the jurisdiction of the Court on or about May 17. The sentence against the Filipino was suspended for six months and as the latter failed to pay the fine, he is spending the next 28 days in Ward Road Jail.

The two men were arrested in a police raid conducted at 11 Hwa Kee Avenue in Bubbling Well Road at 1.10 a.m. yesterday under Detective Inspector Toon. Dice, dice boxes and poker chips were found on the premises.

Found in the same building were thirteen Filipinos, two Americans and one Korean, the latter having been handed over to the Japanese Consular authorities. Garrett was charged by Mr. Leighton Shields, District Attorney of the U. S. Court for China, with conducting a gambling den, while the Filipino was charged with allowing his premises to be used for running the game. Others were called as witnesses. Both pleaded guilty to the charges.

Railway Wagon Blown Far by Wind

Peiping-Mukden Line on Necessity of Caution

Peiping, May 3.

The Peiping-Mukden railway authorities have issued an order to the Fengtai, Chienmen and other stations to exercise more care over rolling stock.

The order says that on April 12 an open wagon on the Peiping-Mentoukou branch line was left unbraked and was blown by the wind from Sanchiation station to Hsichihmen station.

North China, the order says, is now passing the "Mongol wind season" and a rigid watch over rolling stock is required.—Reuter.

Enlistment Term for British Soldiers

Army Now Becomes Career For Troops

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, May 3.

The War Office has announced a new scheme for long-service enlistment, under which men way engage for 12 years, with the right to continue for a further nine years.

The Secretary of State for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, states that the War Office intends to spend millions more than announced in the Budget for barracks.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Mr. Douglas Young

Tokyo, May 3.

Mr. Douglas Young, propietor of the "Japan Chronicle," and a resident of Japan since 1901, died of pneumonia at the International Hospital here today at the age of 61.

Mr. Young, who was publisher and managing director of the Kobe and Osaka Press, Ltd., and founder of the Far Eastern Advertising Agency, was born in London, and started his career as a journalist.

He was duly eleited a member of the Institute of Journalists, and, after varied experiences in English journalism, came to Japan to join the staff of the "Japan Chronicle."

Mr. Young was appointed Vice-Consul for Greece at Kobe in 1923, and was later decorated with the Order of the Phoenix.—Reuter.

Dope on U.S. Transport

Washington, May 2.

Treasury agents at Honolulu reported to headquarters here today the seizure of twelve and one half pounds of marijuand aboard the U.S. Army transport Republic. The marijuana was said to have been in the possession of Mr. George Henry Williams, a room steward.—United Press.

Jews in Germany

Berlin, May 3.

The German Government through the Reichsbank is preparing to grant special credit facilities to "Aryans" with which to buy out Jewish-owned businesses as a further means of liquidating all Jewish-owned property, informed spokesman declared today.—United Press.

Greta Garbo in Morocco

Casablanca, Morocco, May 3.

Miss Greta Garbo and Mr. Leopold Stokowsky have been in Casablanca for the last five days, it was learned today. They are planning to leave for Algeria today or Wednesday.—United Press.

Miss Madeline Carroll Said Most Desirable

Vote Taken on Subject at Columbia University

New York, May 2.

Columbia University students today selected Miss Madeline Carroll, Hollywood movie actress, as the "most desirable person with whom to be stranded on a desert island." They gave as the main reason for their selection Miss Carroll's "ability to speak French."

Miss Carroll, interviewed on her selection, admitted she was puzzled over the reason for the choice and said, "I think they are dodging the real issue."—United Press.

Exchange B'k Reopens

Peiping, May 3.

The Exchange Bank of China, a joint Sino-Japanese concern with a paid-up capital of $7,500,000, is expected to reopen before the end of this year, according to Chinese reports from Tientsin. The bank suspended business in 1929.—Reuter.

STAGE & SCREEN

Violin Recital

Mr. David C. L. Tai, a young Chinese violinist, who gave a series of concerts in Vienna before his return to China several years ago, will give a violin recital at the American Women's Club at 8.30 p.m. tomorrow.

A graduate of the National Conservatory of Music, Mr. Tai studied under Prof. B. Hubermann, Prof. A. Rebner, and Prof. A. Bak while in Vienna with the New Conservatory. In addition to the numerous concerts he gave in Soochow, Nanking, and Shanghai upon his return to China, he also played several times with the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra.

Mr. Tai's programme will consist of the following: Vitali's Ciaccona, Viotti's Concerto No. 22 (Moderato, Adagio, Agitato Assai), Padre Martini's Andantino, Louis Couperin's Chanson Louis XIII & Pavane Francois Francoeur's Siciliano & Rigaudon and W. A. Mozart's Rondo.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

MR. C. E. Gauss, United States Consul-General, left for America in the ss. Empress of Canada on leave.

MR. A. C. Leith of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation left on Monday in the ss. Empress of Canada.

MESSRS P. F. LeFevre, Managing Director of the Texas Co., and C. D. Culbertson of Messrs Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, were passengers in the ss. Empress of Canada on Monday.

MEMBERS of the British Women's Association who would care to attend the Club Institute sponsored by the Joint Commitee on May 19, should send in their names to the Secretary as soon as possible.

THE lumber trade in Shanghai lost $50,000,000 during local hostilities as a result of the removal or destruction of stocks stored in Nantao and Yangtzepoo, states a message to the "Sin Wan Pao."

MR. Chow Fu-hai, who was recently appointed Acting Director of the Central Publicity Department of the Kuomintang, formally assumed his new duties on Monday, says a message to the "Life Daily News."

THE collection of interport duties by the local Inspectorate of Customs recently registered a great decrease owing to the frequent disruptions in coastal and inland shipping services, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

THE Native Banks' Guild in Shanghai held a regular meeting on Monday, states a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." The meeting, which was presided over by Mr. Hsi Chi-ming, was attended by representatives of 44 member banks.

THE vendors of marguerites on the streets this morning are collecting funds for the "White Flower Society" which directs its efforts towards aiding indigent Russian tuberculars, a cause worthy of community support.

THE American Consulate General, Shanghai, will appreciate receipt of any information regarding Mr. Edward F. Cody, attorney, who is reported to have left the United States in December last, destined to Shanghai.

THE Chairman of the Military Affairs Commission, General Chiang Kai-shek, has instructed the newly appointed Acting Chairman of the Szechuen Provincial Government, General Wang Chan-hsu, to take up his new post at an early date, states a dispatch to the "Ta Wan Pao."

SHIPPING services from here to Soochow, Wusih, Tsingpu, Chuchiachiao and Hwangtu were suspended on Monday owing to the resumption of fighting in the vicinity of Peihsinchin passage in the Soochow Creek, a few miles north-west of Shanghai, says a message to the "Standard." Martial law is now in force in the area.

EXTENSIVE plans for the rebuilding or enlargement of many public edifices in Munich, capital of the National Socialist movement, will make this ancient centre of German art the largest city of the Reich after Berlin and Hamburg. Among other improvements will be an underground railway, a large new opera house, and a series of similar public buildings.

THE Committee for the election of Kiangsi Delegates to the National Assembly has elected Messrs. Yang Tupu, Wang Ping-chiu, Li Chung-hsiang Liu Chia-shu, Wang Chao-shih, Wang Kwang-yin, Hsu Teh-yen and Lo Ching-yuan to be the delegates of this province, says a dispatch to the "Standard." The names of these successful candidates have already been communicated to the Central authorities.

FOLLOWING the recent resumption of major hostilities on the northern stretch of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, more than ten foreign war correspondents have again proceeded to the front lines in this sector, says a message to the "Sin Wan Pao." The Chinese military authorities, it is reported, have given the newspaper men every facility for covering the war situation.

OIL merchants in Dairen, taking advantage of the current decreased production by the oil trade in Shanghai, have smuggled and dumped large quantities of their stocks on the local market, states a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." As a result of the dumping, it is stated, the local prices of various kinds of oil have fallen off, while factories making arrangements to resume their production have been forced to wait for a clarification of the market conditions.

THE new German Ambassador to Britain, Dr. Herbert von Dircksen, formerly Minister to Tokyo, arrived in London on Monday afternoon. He was welcomed at the station by the German Embassy staff and by Sir John Monck, Vice-Marshal of the diplomatic corps, on behalf of the British Government. The Ambassador declared to press representatives that he felt it a great honour and was conscious of the greatness of his task in Great Britain.

THE Navy Y.M.C.A. wishes to acknowledge with thanks the donation of books, magazines, and a Ping Pong table and set received from the following people during April:—Mrs. J. B. Davies, C. F. Wolsiffer, Mrs. N. F. Allman, Miss M. A. Frame, Mrs. M. S. Mitchell, Mrs. Bellaire, Mrs. A. E. Schumacher, Mrs. J. C. McCracken, Mr. C. L. L. Williams, Mrs. W. W. Jourdin, Manuel A. Ferras, Mrs. Neprud, Columbia Country Club, Mrs. Allison, Mrs. E. M. Smith of Ningpo, Mrs. Leonard Everett, Miss N. L. Piasack, and others. The Navy Y can still make use of novels and story magazines.

THE "People's Diplomacy" Association and other social groups in Hankow were to hold a meeting yesterday to discuss measures to be taken for the release of several hundred soldiers of the "doomed battalion" now still under detention in the International Settlement of Shanghai, states a dispatch to the "Hwa Mei Pao." This battalion, it may be recalled, broke into the limelight last November, when they held out against the Japanese for about a week in the godown of the Joint Savings Society north of the Soochow Creek. Following their withdrawal from the godown, they were interned by the Settlement authorities.

Opposition Severely Censure Anglo-Italian Agreement

Amendment to Government Proposal for Adoption of Pact Heavily Defeated; Rome's Good Faith Upheld

London, May 3.

A LABOUR amendment in the House of Commons yesterday afternoon on the Anglo-Italian Agreement, stating that Opposition approval could not be given to "an agreement made with a state actively engaged in wanton aggression in Spain," was rejected by 322 votes to 110. The Government motion approving the Agreement was adopted by 316 votes to 108.

In winding up the debate for Labour, Mr. C. R. Attlee, Leader of the Opposition, said that Mr. Neville Chamberlain's Premiership had been "a year of unparalleled humiliation for the country."

The Prime Minister, he continued, had been "widely and justly distrusted throughout the country."

Winding up the debate for the Government, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, claimed that Mr. Chamberlain's policy had been eminently successful.

No Unwritten Undertaking

As examples he pointed to the Anglo-Irish Agreement, the Anglo-French talks and the negotiations for an Anglo-American trade agreement.

Replying to a question whether there was any unwritten undertaking behind the Anglo-Italian Agreement, Mr. Butler gave firm assurance that there was no undertaking with regard to a loan or any other matter to which reference had been made.

In moving the Labour amendment, Mr. Herbert Morrison, Labour member for South Hackney, declared that five out of eight points in the Anglo-Italian Agreement were "reaffirmations necessitated by past bad faith."

There was no guarantee, he declared, that new affirmations or additional declarations would be observed by Italy, and there was no probability that they would be any more respected than previously, unless in this agreement they were related to a collective organization for peace, which they were not.

It was an essentially imperialistic agreement, Mr. Morrison said, of a pre-War variety. It helped to "make Italy a great imperial Power in the Near East and, unless she plays the game, we have helped to make her a greater menace to British interests there."

He stated that the agreement was contrary to British interests and was "morally repugnant and degrading to the best instincts of the people and the best feelings of the world."

It brought nearer the day, he continued, when the British Empire and France would be faced directly with an issue of blackmail or war.

Of Incalculable Value

Mr. L. S. Amery, Conservative member for the Sparkbrook division of Birmingham, described the agreement as of "incalculable value in the very dangerous and difficult times before us.

"The Prime Minister's courage," he said, "has put in the hands of Great Britain the initiative for peace."

Sir Archibald Sinclair, Opposition Liberal Leader, declared that by "compelling recognition of the annexation of Abyssinia and countenancing the Italian invasion of Spain, the Prime Minister has shirked his responsibilities and has sacrificed the principles on which alone peace could be established."

"An abject, dishonourable and cowardly surrender," was Mr. Lloyd George's description of the agreement. He said that Mr. Chamberlain's policy was one of "retreat and capitulation."

The Duchess of Atholl, Conservative member for the Kinross and Western division of Perth and Kinross, declared that the agreement proposed to let down Spain.

Prime Minister's Defence

Before the House debated the Government motion of approval, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, delivered a speech in which he said that he had been encouraged by the agreement, and the almost universal chorus of praise and congratulation it had evoked, to hope that the first step had been taken towards a healthier and saner state of affairs in Europe.

"I believe that for Italy and ourselves," Mr. Chamberlain declared, "this agreement marks the beginning of a new era.

"In former days we had close friendship with the old Italy. Today there is a new Italy—an Italy, which, under the stimulus of the personality of Signor Mussolini is showing new vigour.

"There is apparent a new vision and new efficiency in the new administration in the measures which it is taking to improve the condition of its people."

The Prime Minister stated that by this agreement "I believe that we may look forward to a friendship with the new Italy as firmly based as that by which we were bound to the old."

The signing of the agreement, he continued, had already effected a radical change in relations between the two countries.

Suspicion Cleared Away

The clouds of mistrust and suspicion had cleared away and the two countries now regarded one another with a determination to promote mutual friendship instead of hostility.

Mr. Chamberlain emphasized that His Majesty's Government had accepted Italian assurances in respect to Spain as having been given in good faith. The Government believed that the Italian Government intended to keep them in spirit as well as in letter.

An important part of the Prime Minister's speech disclosed the fact that, in the course of the Rome conversations, Count Galeazzo Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, had given the British Ambassador, the Earl of Perth, oral assurance regarding Palestine.

After examining in detail the Protocol and its Annexes, Mr. Chamberlain said he thought the House would agree that they dealt in a very careful and comprehensive manner with possible sources of difficulty between Great Britain and Italy.

"In case anybody should think that Palestine was purposely left out," the Prime Minister went on, "I should like to mention that the subject was also discussed and, as a result, the Italian Foreign Minister has given our Ambassador oral assurances that the Italian Government will abstain from creating difficulties or embarrassments for the British Government in Palestine.

Interests Protected

"Our Ambassador, in turn, has given similar assurances that the British Government, for its part, intends to preserve and protect legitimate Italian interests in that country.

"We are, ourselves, perfectly satisfied with the oral declaration which we have received and, I am sure, the Italian Government is also perfectly satisfied with the declaration we have given in return."

Early in his speech, the Prime Minister paid tribute to Lord Perth and Count Ciano on the manner in which the negotiations had been handled, and to Count Grandi, the Italian Ambassador in London, for his contributions to removing misunderstandings.

Mr. Chamberlain then described the place of the agreement in the general scheme of the Government's foreign policy, the aim of which was to restore general confidence that peace could and would be preserved.—Reuter.

Rear-Admiral Shishido Calls on Council

Visit Paid to Major-Gen. A.P.D. Telfer-Smollett

The new commander of the Japanese Naval Landing Party, Rear-Admiral Y. Shishido, paid official calls yesterday morning on Major-General A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett, commander of British troops in the Shanghai area, and on the Chairman and other officers of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

The visit to the British commander was at his residence, where the Japanese commander was received by a guard of honour and a band provided by the 1st Battalion The Durham Light Infantry. Major-General Telfer-Smollett will return the call on Saturday morning, it is understood.

Following this, Rear-Admiral Shishido called on Mr. C. S. Franklin, chairman of the Council, and Brigadier-General E. B. Macnaghten, vice-chairman, in the Administration Building. Also present were Colonel J. W. Hornby, Commandant of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, Major F. W. Gerrard, Commissioner of Police, and other Council officials. The usual guard of honour was provided by the Russian Regiment.

Armed Man Arrested in Chase by Police

Part of Loot Recovered in Silk Shop Hold-up

Chased by a Chinese police constable in Nanking Road, an armed man was arrested yesterday morning at about 10.30 o'clock near the corner of Shantung Road.

The constable was on traffic duty at the corner of the two busy streets, when his attention was drawn by the yell of "robbers!" and two men fleeing in haste.

One shot was fired by one of the two men, but the constable overtook and arrested one of them. The pistol was seized from his hand, and $70 was found in his possession.

The chase followed an armed robbery which took place in a silk shop on the first floor of No. 373 Kiukiang Road. Two men, who were armed, held up four occupants and then escaped with $330 in cash. An alarm was raised immediately after their departure.

The two men were said to have been accompanied to the shop by a Chinese woman who was still missing yesterday afternoon.

The arrested man will be brought before the First Special District Court this morning, the case being investigated by Detective Sub-Inspector Obsiannikoff.

Leaflets Thrown On to Yu Ya Ching Road

Anti-Japanese Pamphlets Distributed from Roof

The distribution of coloured pamphlets of an anti-Japanese nature yesterday afternoon was the only incident which marked the tenth anniversary of the Tsinan tragedy, one of the Chinese humiliation days.

The leaflets, of red and blue colours, were thrown on to Yu Ya Ching Road from the roof garden of the Sun Co., corner of Nanking Road, at about 4.30 p.m. The amount thus distributed was estimated at many thousands, as the section of the street was literally covered with the leaflets.

Louza Police, who searched the roof garden on the fifth floor of the building, failed to locate the man or men responsible for the incident.

One kind of the pamphlets bore slogans urging the Chinese to support the resistance campaign, bitterly denouncing the "traitors who work for the Japanese."

Otherwise the anniversary passed quietly. Chinese flags were flown at half mast in many streets both in the Settlement and Concession. A three-minute silence was observed by a number of Chinese in honour of those who fell in the battle fronts.

THE Deputy General Executive of the Kuomintang, Mr. Wang Ching-wei, who arrived in Changsha from Hankow on April 29 to give addresses in several Hunan schools, returned to Hankow on Sunday, states a message to the "Hwa Mei Chen Pao." Before leaving Changsha, Mr. Wang issued a statement lauding the indomitable spirit of the Hunanese people.

Four Killed in Sugar Riot in Jamaica

Kingston, Jamaica, May 3.

Four persons were killed and seven injured when armed police attempted to arrest the ring leaders of a strike movement, which had assumed the proportions of a riot, on sugar estates at Frome and Westmoreland. The police were forced to fire and 50 arrests were made, while troops stood by in readiness to go to the scene. About 1,500 acres of the plantations were set on fire.—Reuter.

WEDDINGS

Penton-Parsons

FROM OUR WEIHAIWEI CORRESPONDENT

The chief topic of conversation for some weeks had been the forthcoming wedding of Miss Marjorie Parsons, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Parsons of Shanghai, to Lieut. Cmdr. E. M. Penton, son of Sir Edward and Lady Penton, of Walton on the Hill, Surrey, England. As the last marriage to be solemnized at the little Island Church of St. James's happened so long ago that no one is sure when it took place, it was not surprising, therefore, that this happy event should be looked upon as one of the most important of the year both by foreigners and Chinese.

On the day of the wedding, one of those unpopular southerly gales, peculiar to this time of the year, threatened to put in an appearance, but Fate was kind, however, and the weather on April 18 was as near to perfection as only a Weihaiwei spring day can be.

Chinese Wedding Chair

An original idea was carried out when the bride was borne from the Island Hotel to the church in a Chinese wedding chair. This happy thought was much appreciated by the local Chinese, who lined the roads and held a strong position in the little churchyard.

The usual remark "the bride looked charming," was well deserved, for Miss Parsons' natural daintiness was accentuated by the beautifully modelled white satin charmeuse gown which she wore, with its shirred bodice and graceful little train. The exquisite lace bridal veil which had been worn by her great-grandmother, was secured by a chaplet of orange blossom and her bouquet was of white *prunus japonica*.

Miss Betty Parsons, the bridesmaid, wore a pretty dress of pale pink flowered chiffon, with tiny shirred sleeves and a long taffeta sash. Her head-dress was also ornamented with pink roses and she carried a bouquet of peach blossom.

The bride's mother wore a dress of brown marocain embroidered in wool with a beige ninon vestee; her strikingly smart little straw hat toning to perfection with the rest of the costume.

Two small flower girls—the Misses Jill and Jocelyn Pomfret, daughters of Surg. Cmdr. and Mrs. A. A. Pomfret—resembled the "Little Folk" of another realm, in their dainty white organdie dresses embroidered with tiny pink roses, a wreath of the same flowers on each little fair head.

The bride passed up the beautifully decorated church on the arm of her father, Mr. E. E. Parsons, who gave her away. The Rev. E. Skues officiated, assisted by the Rev. J. Cree, Chaplain to H. M. S. Suffolk. Mrs. A. M. A. Travers, who was at the organ, played the Bridal March from Lohengrin and the hymns "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" and "Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost." After the ceremony, Mendlssohn's Wedding March was played and the happy couple left the church under an archway of crossed swords.

Unique Bridal Carriage

Two rickshaws, with shafts fastened together and drawn by five midshipmen, were ready to take them to the United Services Club, where the reception was held. Five more "snotties," as well as a party of sailors, were roped to the back of this unusual wedding conveyance, a sensible precaution, for the path leading down to the club is somewhat steep. They were preceded by a band of Royal Marines who also played at the reception.

After various toasts, three cheers were given, followed by "He's a Jolly Good Fellow," sung so lustily that the picturesque roof of the club seemed in grave danger of being "raised." The bride cut the wedding cake with her husband's sword; and, in the happy, friendly atmosphere enjoyed by all, each guest felt the sincerity of the welcome given them.

As Lieut.-Cmdr. and Mrs. Penton left for the bungalow where their honeymoon is to be spent, a fusilade of crackers could be heard, to the great delight of the many Chinese onlookers.

Wall Collapses: Boy Killed in Alleyway

Several Others Also Injured In Accident

A Chinese boy died in hospital and two others together with a man and a woman received injuries yesterday shortly after 1 p.m., when a portion of a wall in Lane 70, Bubbling Well Road, collapsed.

The couple and children were in an alleyway adjacent to the Lane when the accident occurred, the bricks and masonry falling on them with full force. The wall was said to have been built over ten years ago.

An ambulance was sent to the scene and conveyed the group to hospital. One boy died later.

Italy Joins Montreux Convention

Rome, May 3.

Italy has decided to adhere to the Montreux Convention with certain reservations arising from her withdrawal from the League of Nations.—Reuter.

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Appeal For Chinese War Refugees

American Red Gross Head Tells of Urgent Need for Further Relief Funds

San Francisco, May 2.

The Chairman of the American Red Cross, Mr. Norman Davis, former Ambassador-at-large, today appealed for further financial aid for Chinese war refugees.

Mr. Davis said that funds already raised, although in excess of US$1,400,000, are "woefully inadequate in relation to the need." In his address to the society's annual national convention he said approximately US$170,000 had been received in response to President Roosevelt's appeal for voluntary contributions, in addition to which the Red Cross appropriated US$200,000.

He said the United States public had contributed in excess of US$1,000,000 through churches and missionary societies.

"Distress in China," Mr. Davis said, "is great. Millions have been forced to flee from cities and villages, leaving all their possessions. He said it was estiimated that in the lower Yangtze valley alone, 10,000,000 had forsaken their homes.

"Thousands," he said, "are sick and wounded and in dire need of help. Normal administration facilities for coping with the situation in this area no longer exist for humanity's help.

"In the name of these suffering people, I call upon you all to give such further aid in alleviating great human distress as may be within your means."—United Press.

FUNERALS

Mr. M. W. Bruce

The funeral (cremation) service for the late Mr. Mathew Wyllie Bruce, whose death occurred on Saturday last, was held in the Bubbling Well Cemetery Chapel yesterday afternoon in presence of many mourners. The services were conducted by the Rev. C. Wilfred Allan of the Union Church. Mr. C. Bruce (son) was the chief mourner.

On the casket which was draped with a heavy blue velvet pall rested a beautiful bouquet of flowers from the family. Among others sending wreaths were:—

Mr. J. Turner, Mr. R. T. Peyton-Griffin, Members of the Editorial Staff "N.C.D.N.," Mr. and Mrs A. C. Mauchan, The China Printing and Finishing Co., Ltd., Mr. P. Biehayn, Mr. F. W. Cochrane, Herr and Frau Oskar Franz, Mr. and Mrs E. A. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Crow, Frau Rosa J. Walther, Foreign Staff of China Printing and Finishing Co., Ltd., Print Works, Mr. Y. S. Chee, The Ma Family, Mr. T. M. Wu, Two Zee Brothers, Johnny Lynne, Ah-Van (old coolie), etc.

The arrangements for the funeral were carried out by Messrs Thomas Macdonald and Co.

Mr. Peter Ivanovich Bernikoff

In the presence of many mourners funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Hungjao Road Cemetery for the late Mr. Peter Ivanovich Bernikoff. The service was conducted by Father Alexander Paevsky of the Russian Orthodox Mission Church, assisted by the choir of the former Siberia Cadets Corps under the direction of Mr. A. Smirnoff. The deceased, after a long illness, died last Sunday afternoon at the Paulun Hospital at the age of 59 years. He is survived by his widow and a three-year old son. The deceased has been employed by the Lucerne Dairy for several years. The pallbearers were Messrs M. I. Dubrovin, V. I. Ushakoff, G. Maklaevsky, S. Maklaevsky, S. Molostvoff and G. Assanoff. Among those sending flowers were:—

Tamara and Shura; The Lucerne Dairy Dairy Farm; Dr. and Mrs. Ed. Birt; Former Cadets of the Siberian Cadet Corps; J. I. and V. V. Fechisheff; Nina V. Gedich; J. B. Gerardy; Mr. and Mrs. B. Krenov; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

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Senator Asks Immediate Grant of Independence

Washington, May 2.

Senator Bennett Champ Clark, Democrat of Missouri, today strongly advocated that the Philippines be granted independence as soon as possible. He made his suggestion during a debate on the Vinson Naval Expansion Bill.

"It would have been a Godsend," Senator Clark said, "if the Battle of Manila Bay had never been fought. It would have been a Godsend if the United States had never acquired the Philippines.

"I am not criticizing Admiral Dewey for his attack on the Spanish fleet, but I am sorry we got the Philippines in the bargain, as they have been a curse and a millstone around our necks."—United Press.

Municipal Orhestra

The programme for the twenty-seventh Sunday Symphony Concert in the Lyceum Theatre, on Sunday, May 8, at 5.15 p.m. is as follows:—

SMETANA

Overture ..... "The Bartered Bride"
Two Arias of Marenka in the Opera "Bartered Bride"
"If I should hear of thy unfaithfulness....."
(from I Act)
"Our love was a beautiful dream....."
(from III Act)
Vocalist: Sonia Kucejova
Two Symphonic Poems from "My Country"
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Symphony No. 5 in E minor "From the New World"
Adagio—Allegro molto
Largo
Scherzo—Molto vivace
Allegro con fuoco
Conductor: Maestro Mario Paci.

THE local court in Peiping has passed a sentence of five months' imprisonment on Hou Yu-lu, a tramcar driver, for killing a policeman on duty a few weeks ago. The policeman was run down by a tramcar while on traffic duty in the west city. The mother of the deceased policeman, has filed a suit claiming $3,000 damages and the suit has been transferred to the civil court for consideration.

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Jewish Problem in Rumania

National Attitude Said To Be Justified

Bucharest, May 3.

The Jewish problem was the main point of a speech of the Rumanian Premier, Mr. Miron Christea, Patriarch of the Rumanian Orthodox Church, at a meeting of the Rumanian youth organization yesterday.

"We Rumanians are no chauvinists", M. Christea declared," we are even indolent from the national point of view, since we are protecting our state church and our religion less than any other nation. The patience and neglect of our own interests must, however, not go so far as to accept quietly an exploitation of our country by Jews. It has been proved by documentary evidence that at some places in the country 60 to 95 per cent. of the inhabitants are immigrated aliens. We are serfs in our own country. This situation compells us to a revision which will be directed mainly against those who immigrated into Rumania after the war".—Trans-Ocean.

Mackay Radio Appeal Delayed by Court

Decision to Test Powers Of N.L.R.B. Postponed

Washington, May 2.

The Supreme Court today delayed for at least a fortnight a decision on the Mackay Radio Corportion apgeal testing the powers of the National Labour Relations Board.

Meanwhile, the N.L.R.B. announced it will file a motion with the Circuit Court of Appeals in Covington, Kentucky, to withdraw a previous decision against the Ford Motors.

The N.L.R.B. yesterday decided to withdraw several important decisions affecting leading concerns, in order to comply with the recent Supreme Court decision in connection with the Kansas City stockyard rates.

The Supreme Court decision indicated that the N.L.R.B. had failed to provide a trial of examiners and reports of cases in which most prompt decisions were desired, thereby preventing the defendants from filling exceptions to the "proposed findings in fact."—Reuter.

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Marines' Late Spurt Wins Sports Meeting

Shanghai American School Lead Through All Earlier Events But the Final Relay Races Prove Deciding Factor

STAGING a timely rally towards the end and winning two relay races, the U.S. Marine Corps track and field team emerged victorious over the Shanghai American School delegation yesterday afternoon in a dual competition on the S.A.S. grounds by a total score of 42 to 38.

The Schoolboys nearly won. The students led the service athletes by a substantial margin of 27-17 at the close of the fourth event, but the "Leathernecks," capturing the first two places in the sixth fixture which was the high jump, brought themselves back in the running. Later, by virtue of showing undisputed power in the last two relay races, the Red and Gold cindermen successfully repelled the School team's gallant bid and won.

Powerful Legs

Aikman, with a pair of powerful legs, played a star's role in assisting the service aggregation to success. He gained two firsts in the 220 yards and the long jump and a second place in the high jump, besides running the anchor in both the mile medley and the half-mile relays.

However, none the less illustrious was the performance of the mighty Lt. Funk who, although not competing in any of the events, gave two exhibition races in the 440 and 880 yards. The athletic Lieutenant hoofed around the oval without exerting much of his energy due to a lack of competition but still he turned in the times of 53.6 seconds in the quarter-mile and 2 minutes and 4.4 seconds in the half-mile.

Aside from Aikman, other contending athletes who impressed the spectators were Rook of the Marines in the 440 yards (55.6 secs.), Shappa, another Marine in the high (5 ft. 8 in.), and Leo Bali, the School luminary who won the 880 yards and finished a close second to Hook in the 440. Ball's time in the quarter-mile was unofficially 56 flat while in the half-mile he won by 2.16.2/10.

Schoolboys Overtaken

Of the ten events on the afternoon's programme (there were 13, according to previous announcement, but the shot put, the discus, and the hop, step and jump had been forced to be scratched upon mutual agreement owing to falling light), the two relay items which incidently decided the fortunes of the two contending teams proved most absorbing. Prior to the mile medley event, the schoolboys were ahead by 38-33 and needed one victory to gain success. The Marines, on the other hand, required both victories to outscore their opponents since the winners of each relay would obtain five points to the losers' nothing.

Dick Carbonnell toed off in the medley faster than Lewis and held a lead of one yard but Owen Hipps, the second man in the 440, failed to maintain the margin and was beaten by the fleet-footed Rook, by about a yard as the baton passed hands for the second time. Richards easily outpaced Gallimore in the 880, leading by no less than 10 yards which made Doug Ridgway unable to catch up with Aikman in the anchor 220 dash.

In the 4 x 220 yards relay it was mainly through the brilliant work of Aikman that the Fourth Regiment were able to win. Lyman Hale and Owen Hipps ran in grand style to outdistance Loper and Lewis in the second and third legs. But here Aikman scored over Ben Smith in a blazing finish with approximately four yards to spare at the tape.

Full details of the events in order follow:—

100 Yards:—1, Sharpless (U.S.M.C.); 2, Smith (S.A.S.); 3, Loper (U.S.M.C.). Time, 10.8 secs.

440 Yards:—1, Rook (U.S.M.C.); 2, Ball (S.A.S.); 3, Jorgensen (S.A.S.). Time, 55.6 secs.

Mile:—1, Terry (S.A.S.); 2, Gallimore (S.A.S.). Time, 5 min. 4.9 secs.

120 Yards Hurdles.—1, Hale (S.A.S.); 2, Carbonnell (S.A.S.); 3, Lewis (U.S.M.C.). Time, 15.8 secs.

220 Yards:—1, Aikman (U.S.M.C.); 2, Smith (S.A.S.); 3, Ridgway (S.A.S.). Time, 24.2 secs.

High Jump:—1, Shappa (U.S.M.C.); 2, Aikman (U.S.M.C.); 3, Pott (S.A.S.). Height: 5 ft. 8 in.

880 Yards:—1, Ball (S.A.S.); 2, Zerzeki (U.S.M.C.); 3, Belknap (S.A.S.). Time, 2 min. 16.4 secs.

Long Jump:—1, Aikman (U.S.M.C.); 2, Hipps (S.A.S.); 3, Hale (S.A.S.). Distance: 19 ft. 6½ in.

1 Mile Medley Relay:—1, U.S.M.C. (Lewis, Rook, Richards, and Aikman); 2, S.A.S. (Carbonnell, Hipps, Gallimore, and Ridgway). Time, 1 min. 40.4 secs.

Half-Mile Relay:—1, U.S.M.C. (Sharpless, Loper, Lewis, and Aikman); 2, S.A.S. (Ridgway, Hale, Hipps, and Smith). Time, 4 min. 3.1 secs.

Place-winning Results

	1st	2nd	3rd	Pts.
U.S. Marines	7	2	2	42
American School	2	6	5	38

Wolves Overtake Arsenal

Now Leading by One Point With Leaders Each Having One Game to Play

London, May 2.

The following are the results of League football matches played today:—

FIRST DIVISION

Huddersfield 3, Stoke 0
Wolverhampton 2, West Bromwich 1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTHERN)

Walsall 2, Mansfield 0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTHERN)

Doncaster 2, York 1
Gateshead 5, Southport 0
Lincoln 0, Tranmere 1.—Reuter.

Crucial Games

Hinging on the results of two games to be played on Saturday is the championship of the First Division of the Home Football League. By beating West Bromwich on Monday, Wolverhampton passed Arsenal and now each club has played 41 games. Wolverhampton have 51 points while Arsenal's total is fifty points. As each club plays their final game on Saturday, this week will decide the championship.

Arsenal, on their own ground, will meet Bolton while the Wolves will be matched with Sunderland on the latter's ground. Bolton's standing is above that of Sunder and in the league which might indicate that Arsenal will be faced with the stronger opposition. In view of this and the fact that Wolverhampton are leading by one point, the Wolves must be conceded the better chance of finishing on top.

If Arsenal can gain one point more than the Wolves, then they will win the championship for their goal average is superior.

No other First Division team have a chance of finishing on top. Preston, in third place with 46 points, have two more games to play, which makes it mathematically impossible for them to overtake Wolverhampton

Local Boy Does Well

A. R. White, former Shanghai Public School boy who is the son of Mr. A. G. White, is doing well at home as a young pugilist. He has now become a school blood in minor sports at Charterhouse and got his colours recently. On March 15 he defeated B. Cleaver of Beaumont in the annual quadrangular boxing contest.

Saved Goal After He Was Sent Off

Problem Arises in Unusual Football Situation

London, Apr. 15.

In a game at Bolton between Westhoughton Sacred Heart Club and the Lad's Club, one of the latter's forwards was ordered from the field.

But instead of going direct to the dressing room he stood near his own goalkeeper.

The score was 2-2 with three minutes to go. The Sacred Heart centre forward broke through. His shot was only partly saved by the Lad's Club goalkeeper, and appeared to be passing over the goal line when the player who had been ordered off picked up the ball and kicked it down the field.

Under the impression that a defender had handled, the referee pointed to the penalty spot.

Then he was told what had happened, and the game was re-started by dropping the ball. No further goals were scored and the game ended in a draw.—Reuter.

Japanese Wrestlers

Tokyo, May 3.

A group of Japanese wrestlers, including the grand champion, Tamanishiki, will return here from Central China tomorrow. They gave a series of matches for the entertainment of Japanese soldiers in China. The group, organized by the Japan Wrestling Association, sailed from Ujina for China on April 18.—Domei.

Athletics Sign U.C. Star

Berkely, Calif., May 2.

The Philadelphia Athletics have signed Sam Chapman, University of California's star football and baseball player, the University announced today. Chapman will play outfield.

Man O'War Comes of Age

Hailed as the greatest horse ever bred in America, Man O'War celebrated his 21st birthday on March 29 at the Faraway Farm near Lexington, U.S.A. Left to right: Mr. Samuel D. Riddle, owner of the famous racer, Man O'War himself, Will Harbut, his proud groom, and Mr. Clem McCarthy, radio commentator. On the same day, the 259th colt sired by Man O'War was born. Prominent among "Big Red's" sons are Clyde Van Dusen, 1929 winner of the Kentucky Derby, War Admiral, 1937 winner of the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness and the Belmont Stakes, and Battleship which this year won the Grand National Steeplechase at Liverpool.

Giants Go Further Ahead

Cubs, Pirates Both Lose in National Baseball League; DiMaggio Blasts Out Home Run

New York, May 2.

THE New York Giants made it three straight against the Brooklyn Dodgers today and drew further away from the Chicago Cubs and the Pittsburgh Pirates in the race for the National League Pennant. Turning back a last minute rally by the Flatbush Fumblers, the Terrymen beat the Dodgers, 7-4.

The Giants, however, paid dearly for the victory for Jimmy Ripple was beaned in the eighth and it was not certain just how serious the injury was and whether the star outfielder would be forced to join the sick list.

Neither the Cubs nor the Bucs triumphed. The Pirates fell before the Cincinnati Reds for the third successive time, 8-6, despite a ninth-inning rally.

In a desperate attempt to come through, the Buccaneers shellacked "Dutch" Vandermeer for four hits in the ninth to send the Red hurler to the showers. But the four markers were of no avail, the Rhinelanders riding through on their early lead.

Goodman Homers Twice

Ival R. Goodman was the powerhouse of the Reds attack, smashing out two home runs.

Notching up four runs in the eighth frame, the St. Louis Cardinals downed the Cubs, 6-3. Their eighth stanza spree blasted William Lee out of the box. Frank Demaree homered for the Bruins while Joe "Ducky Wucky" Medwick lashed out a four-ply blow for the Cards.

Scoring three runs in the eighth canto brought the Dodgers close to the Giants but the rally was stemmed in the ninth and the National League leaders won, 7-4.

Buck Marrow flung a wild pitch in the eighth and "beaned" Ripple who was rushed to hospital.

Joe Moore led the Giants in hitting power, pounding out three singles and a circuit clout in four times at bat. Hank Leiber and Jimmy Ripple also wielded heavy bludgeons for a four-bagger each.

Touching Harry Eisenstat for ten hits in the fourth, the Cleveland Indians forced the Tiger twirler to retire and also forged ahead to an easy 11-3 victory. The Sioux thus gained a firmer grip on the American League lead, especially as the Washington Senators lost to the New York Yankees. Earl Averill homered for the Tribe.

Bronx Bombers Win

A fifth inning spurt resulted in one run and a 3-2 victory for the Bronx Bombers over the Solons. Joe DiMaggio again lashed out a four-ply blow to help win. Monte Pearson was chased to the showers by the Senators in the eighth when they scored one run.

Heavy hitting by the Boston Red Sox in the third resulted in the yanking of Harry Kelley from the mound. The Beantowners treated Kelley's offerings without mercy, pounding him for thirteen hits. This early spree paved the way for a 13-1 triumph over the Philadelphia Athletics.

National League

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	4	6	0
Giants	7	12	2
Batteries: Fitzsimmons, Potter, Marrow and Spencer, Chervinko; Melton and Denning.			
Pittsburgh	6	10	1
Reds	8	12	1
Batteries: Blanton, Brown, Klinger and Berres; Vandermeer, Benge and Lombardi.			
Chicago	3	6	1
St. Louis	6	10	1
Batteries: Lee, Bryant and O'Dea; Warneke and Bremer.			

American League

Philadelphia	1	7	0
Boston	13	16	4
Batteries: Kelley, Smith, Williams and Hayes, Brucker; Marcum and Desautels.			
Detroit	3	7	1
Cleveland	11	13	0
Batteries: Wade, Eistenstat, Benton, Davis and York; Allen and Pytlak.			
New York	3	10	2
Washington	2	9	3
Batteries: Pearson, Murphy and Dickey; DeShong, Kohlman, Weaver and R. Ferrell.			

Team Standing

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	12	1	.923
Chicago	9	5	.643
Pittsburgh	8	5	.615
Boston	5	5	.500
Cincinnati	6	8	.429
Brooklyn	5	8	.385
St. Louis	4	9	.308
Philadelphia	2	10	.167

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Cleveland	10	3	.769
Washington	8	6	.571
Boston	7	6	.538
New York	8	7	.533
Chicago	5	6	.455
Detroit	5	8	.385
St. Louis	5	8	.385

Apostoli's Ring Career Jeopardized

Rushed to Hospital for Appendicitis Operation

San Francisco, May 2.

Freddy Apostoli's chances of taking a crack at the world middleweight championship suffered a setback today when the San Francisco American-Italian was rushed and operated on for appendicitis.

"The Belting Bellhop," one of the three leading middleweights, will probably be forced to retire from the ring for at least six months or even longer.

Sports scribes predicted a gloomy future for the local scrapper as a result of the operation. They pointed out that he will be open to danger for a long time to come and that he might possibly be forced to hang up his gloves for good.

Prior to the operation, Apostoli was aiming to meet Freddie Steele for the world championship. He scored a T.K.O. over the champion early in January this year.—United Press.

Nervous Breakdown

New York, May 2.

Burgess Whitehead, veteran infielder, was today placed on the voluntary list after physicians said he was suffering from a nervous breakdown and advised him to take

British Golf Season Of Big Money

Prizes Confined to Few Expert Players

London, Apr. 15.

Over £15,000 in prize money will be won during the British golf season, the 1938 "Big Money" season having now begun.

During the next six months this huge sum will pass into the pockets of the leading professional golfers. The Penfold tournament, a new competition, has added £11,000 to the aggregate prize money. The biggest of them all is the Daily Mail tournament, which provides £2,000.

Most of this money will be shared, however, by players numbering perhaps less than a dozen. There are not many more leading professionals than these who stand a chance of winning any of the big prizes.

Loyalty to P.G.A.

Most of the professionals taking part in these tournaments enter more out of loyalty to the P.G.A. than in the hope of picking up any worthwhile reward.

Some professionals make such a steady living at their clubs, however, that realizing that their chances of tournament successes are small, they prefer to carry on at the clubs and give the competitions a miss.

This has resulted in the United States in two classes of professionals, a "member professional" and "a tournament professional," and it is possible that the same sort of thing will eventuate in England.—Reuter.

Jack Tar Destroyed

London, Apr. 15.

Jack Tar has been found unfit for further racing and has been destroyed. He dead-heated with Quashed for the Great Metropolitan Stakes at Epsom in 1936, and won the Rosebery Memorial Handicap there last year.—Reuter.

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Derby Entries Now Down to 69

American-Owned Radiant The Only Filly Still in Classic of June 1

London, May 2.

Sixty-nine horses were left in the Derby stakes when the second forfeit stage closed March 29.

This means that owners have already paid a total of £50 for each entry in the race which will be run at the Epsom Downs track, near London, Wednesday, June 1. A final forfeit of £50 will become due May 31, and less than half of them are expected to make it.

Originally there were 294 entries, at a fee of £20 each, most of them being made three years ago as soon as the horses were foaled. The first forfeit stage on July 6, 1937, when another £5 was paid, saw 115 drop out, and 110 retired at this second stage.

The King's Entries

Prominent among those still in the race are King George's Air Flow and License. License may be scratched later, but Air Flow is expected to run although he is likely to be an outsider in the betting.

Favourites in the futures betting have been Sir Humphrey de Trafford's Portmarnock, Mr. James Voase Rank's Scottish Union, The Aga Khan's Mirza II., a brilliant two-year-old last season, and winner of the first Derby trial this season, the Greenham Plate, at Newbury, on Apirl 1, and Mr. H. E. Morriss' Pasch.

Mirza II. won the one-mile race for three-year-olds by a neck from Mr. William Woodward's lightly weighted Olympus, also a Derby entry. Experts predicted that Mirza II. may be the favourite on the day of the race, and may give the millionaire Indian prince his fourth Derby.

Miss Dorothy Paget, who has spent a large part of the millions she inherited from the Whitney family of New York in trying to win the Derby, has three entries, Jubilee Day, Colonel Payne and Radiant, the only filly left in the race, and weighted at 121 pounds as against 126 for the colts.

American Entries

Colonel Payne cost Miss Paget 15,000 guineas as a yearling. Last season he was one of the top-ranking two-year-olds as the Golden Hair colt. His new name is that of Miss Paget's great uncle.

Four United States owners have six entries between them. They are: Bulawayo, owned by Mrs. Corlette Glorney; Uchaud, owned by Mr. Ralph B. Strassburger; Unbreakable and Silver Spear II. owned by Mr. Joseph E. Widener; and Olympus and Valerian owned by Mr. William Woodward.

Hungjao Golf Results

A tie resulted in the April Through the Month competition held by the Hungjao Golf Club, with A. Ricketts and H. Martin Little both finishing all square, the former playing from scratch while the latter's handicap was ten. Four players were one down, G. D. Nicholl, W. J. Hawkings, R. A. B. Edwards, J. Greenway. Three down was D. R. Glass.

The eighteen holes running pool was won by Capt. R. F. Kirby, 38 points. The leading scores were:

	Points
Captain R. F. Kirby	38
H. Martin Little	37
General A. P. D. Telfer-Smollett	36
J. Greenway	36
W. J. Hawkings	35
A. Ricketts	34
G. D. Nicholl	33
D. R. Glass	31

In the 18 holes v. par, the winners were G. D. Nicholl (4) 1 down and W. J. Hawkings (6) 1 down. There were thirteen entries.

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Cathedral School Boy Wins At Home

Playing at the Queen's Club, London, on April 6, R. L. Bartley and J. L. Williams of Highgate School defeated A. N. Watney and A. D. Henderson (Eton) in the final of the Public Schools Fives Championship (Junior). Pairs from Charterhouse, Aldenham, Harrow and Mill Hill also competed. R. L. Bartley was formerly a pupil at the Cathedral School for Boys, Shanghai.

Australian Noballed 17 Times in Two Overs

McCormick's Experience At Worcester

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, May 3.

A unique incident was witnessed at Worcester yesterday in the cricket match between the touring Australians and Worcestershire, when McCormick, the Australian fast bowler, was "no-balled" no less than 17 times in his first two overs on English soil.

He is alleged to have over-stepped the crease eight times in his first over, and nine times in the second.

The Australians, whose score at the close of play on Saturday was 474 for six, including a flawless 258 by Don Bradman, completed their innings in the morning for 541.

In reply Worcestershire made only 268. Following on the County had made 74 for one when stumps were drawn.

Rain interrupted play at Lord's, where the M.C.C. knocked up 325 in reply to Yorkshire's first innings score of 339. At the close of play Yorkshire had made 21 for one.

Gloucester fared extremely well at Oxford against the Dark Blues, knocking up 445 against the Dark Blues' 229. The County's closing score on Saturday was 148 for three.

When stumps were drawn Oxford had made 69 without loss in their second innings.—Reuter.

Braddock Thinks Louis Will K.O. Schmeling

Champion Has Tremendous Confidence in Himself

New York, Apr. 15.

Jim Braddock, former holder of the world's championship, is a firm believer in the ability of Joe Louis to retain his title when he meets Max Schmeling.

Braddock expects the "Brown Bomber" to win by a knockout, despite the fact that when the men last met it was Schmeling who knocked out Louis.

"Joe is in great form now," said Braddock, "and he is the hardest puncher I know."

Louis' confidence in himself is immense. Once, the world's heavyweight crown was regarded as the supreme championship in the boxing world. It still is, yet so contemptuous is Louis of the challenging opposition that, instead of clinging to the title for the six months allowed by the rules, he takes on warming-up bouts and, to put him on his mettle, puts his championships at stake.

Of course, Louis risks little chance of defeat, but men such as Thomas and Nathan Mann, recent victims of the champion, might have landed a lucky blow which could have laid low the champion and cost him his title.—Reuter.

Brenan Cup Draw Announced

Thirty-four Golfers to Participate in Hungjao Tournament

The Hungjao Golf Club yesterday announced the draw for the Brenan Cup. Thirty-four golfers have entered the competition which is to begin this month and to finish on June 19. The winner will retain the cup for one year and will receive a memento.

In each bracket, the full difference between handicaps will be taken into consideration. No competitor will receive more than one stroke a hole from his opponent. The preliminary rounds will consist of eighteen holes and the final will cover 36 holes.

The first named in every match is to arrange the play-off with his opponent. In the event of a match not being completed by the given date, the second-named player will automatically enter the next round. No extensions of time will be given under any circumstances. In the event of a tie, the match is to continue until a hole is won. In order that the competition may go through without a hitch, competitors are requested to play their matches at the earliest opportunity.

The time limits set for various rounds are: 1st round.—May 15; 2nd round.—May 22; 3rd round.—May 29; 4th round.—June 5; semi-final.—June 12; final on June 19. Each date specified is a Sunday.

The Draw

1st round.—T. W. Gubb (9) v. K. G. Stephenson (16); H. J. M. Cook (12) v. F. W. Gray (14).

2nd round.—G. C. C. Harper (16) v. L. McGolrick (11); W. J. Gande (20) v. W. J. Hawkings (6); A. P. Nazer (13) v. D. R. Glass (6); F. C. Harrison (5) v. G. E. Mitchell (13); L. Ovadia (16) v. K. M. Cumming (5); F. S. Gibbings (9) v. G. D. Nicholl (4); K. E. Newman (12) v. J. F. Maclennan (5); Robert Schlee (20) v. L. G. Murray Kidd (20); P. W. Massey (22) v. C. O. Cumming (5); F. A. Pollock (12) v. A. Ricketts (scratch); W. A. Kearton (16) v. J. K. P. Hadland (9); H. Martin Little (10) v. H. Laffond (12); E. McLaren (15) v. E. A. Pritchard (16); M. T. Stewart (18) v. R. D. K. Silby (14); R. S. Heaney (15) v. I. A. Beith (11).

Islington Corinthians Beat San Francisco

Big Crowd Cheers Clever Soccer Display

San Francisco, May 2.

After their weak showing in their American debut, the Islington Corinthians continued their brilliant performances, started with the defeat of Los Angeles, and today the London soccer team downed the San Francisco All-Stars, 3-2.

So close and spirited was the battle that the local eleven immediately hurled a challenge of a replay. The challenge was promptly accepted and the San Francisco All-Stars and the British players will clash again here on Wednesday.

Excellent soccer was seen, the big crowd of spectators loudly cheering the visitors for their tricky combination, their clever dribbling and their short passing movements.

It was a nip-and-tuck affair, with the American playing more agressively but the British relying on better tactics to eke out a narrow win.—United Press.

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China Assurance Corp., Ltd.

No Dividend Declared at Meeting; Directors Adopt Caution and Carry Balance Forward

THE Sixth Ordinary General Meeting of the shareholders of China Assurance Corporation was held on Tuesday May 3 in the Board Room of Shanghai Commercial & Savings Bank. Mr. Bang How, Chairman of the Board presided. Before the meeting opened Mr. How expressed sympathy on behalf of the meeting to the family of the late Mr. T. K. Yung who served as director since the organization of the corporation six years ago.

In presenting the Accounts, Balance Sheet and Director's Report of 1937, the chairman stated that the effect of the unprecedented destruction as a result of the present hostilities on insurance business is most telling. He commented on the many problems that confront the insurance business at present. He stated that "wholesale cancellations of current policies were asked by insured following the fall of every city wherein we operate. Although under the circumstances we were happy to be released from all possible liabilities in this way the heavy outlay of return premium made very serious inroads into our income."

Marine Insurance

Speaking of Marine Insurance he stated that, the constal blockade and disruption of railways and canal traffic brought domestic trade in the war areas to a standstill. Although the foreign shipping companies are doing their part in trying to keep the trade routes open, the movement of cargo is but a small fraction of pre-war days. Such marine insurance as was available was largely on foreign controlled shipments and we had very little business on Coastal or Yangtse River shipments. The dumping of cargo at the various deviated ports following the opening of hostilities in Shanghai, resulted in innumerable claims due to insufficient packing or inadequate handling.

Other matters concerning insurance business were also reported by Mr. How. He commented on tariff control and government legislation.

Translations

He referred to the rendition of insurance policies into the Chinese language under the auspices of the Shanghai Insurance Association. He reported that all fire and motor car insurance policy conditions, warranties, wordings and endorsements were successfully translated into Chinese and submitted to other Associations concerned for comment. Efforts are now being made to translate marine policies. He was convinced that Chinese insurance companies could never fulfil their proper function in the economic and financial development of China when policies had to be issued in a foreign language which the majority of insured is unable to read, not to say understand. He hoped that this difficult but good work would be carried through to its finish and be uniformly adopted by all companies in the near future.

1937 Results

In commenting upon the results of operations of the Corporation for 1937, he stated that the net fire income increased by a small sum of practically $5,016.00 as compared with 1936 and totalled approximately $192,403.00. Net losses increased by approximately $16,256.00 over 1936 totalling just over $102,256.00. The net loss ratio is 53.15 per cent. as compared with 45.89 per cent. for the previous year. The Corporation suffered comparatively lightly under a few war risk policies still current when hostilities broke out. A majority of cases sustained only small losses. Some policies actually expired just before the hostilities spread to that region. A credit balance of $114,269.93 is carried to the Profit and Loss account.

Dealing with the Marine account he reported that gross income was up by $235,510.00 over 1936 a rise of nearly 81.07 per cent. Net marine income, however, did not have a proportionate increase. Marine loss experience was not so fortunate. A small debit balance of $1,138.60 had to be transferred to the Profit and Loss account.

Turning to the Accident account Mr. How pointed out that it consisted of motor car insurance. Both gross and net premiums made a small gain. The accident loss ratio improved, being 30.32 per cent. as compared with 35.73 per cent. in 1936. A satisfactory credit balance of $14,365.26 was carried to the Profit and Loss account.

The Profit and Loss account, Mr How reported, shows a credit balance of $48,508.35. This was arrived at after transferring $110,000 to Investment Reserve.

Investments

Commenting on the investments he said "the total investments amounted to $1,189,734.70. They yielded us an average return of 5.49 per cent. per annum as compared with 7½ per cent. per annum the previous year. The drop in investment income is accounted for by the acquisition of lower interest bearing securities and loss of rents caused by evacuation of tenants. Except for house property of $237,000.00, all the investments are readily marketable although market values have in some instances depreciated on account of the present hostilities. In order to amply safeguard our investment position, we have deemed it wise to deviate from our usual practice of appropriating additional reserves to the various Underwriting Funds and to allocate out of the current gross profits $110,000.00 as an Investment Reserve. We took this course, because we believe that our Underwriting Funds are adequate at our present stage of development, while a strengthening of our investment position is highly desirable in weathering the storm. We have also transferred $15,000.00 from Reserve for Exchange Fluctuation account into Investment Reserve account, as exchange rates are fairly steady. Taking into consideration the original balance of $75,000.00 in the Investment Reserve account, we now have a Reserve for Investments Fluctuation of $200,000.00. This amount is believed adequate for the present to meet any possible depreciation in value.

The corporation had not experienced any difficulty in their collections. In spite of the hostilities and the consequent freezing of credits and an increased volume of business, Mr. How reported that they were able to reduce outstanding premium at the end of the year by approximately $40,000.00 as compared with 1936.

In view of the fact that a revival of trade and industry can not be discerned at the present and that the indications are that times will be increasingly harder as the months go by, the directors have thought it fit not to recommend the declaration of a dividend but to carry the unappropriated balance forward to provide for any contingency in 1938. The total funds of the Corporation now as follows:—

Capital Paid Up	$500,000.00
Fire Insurance Fund	246,201.71
Marine Insurance Fund	62,494.84
Accident Insurance Fund	92,541.85
General Reserve Fund	131,000.00
Staff Fund	20,000.00
Profit and Loss Balance	42,608.35
	$1,094,846.74

Mr. How, in conclusion, congratulated the management on the year's satisfactory results. He said, they and their staff worked exceedingly hard during the first half of the year when the increased volume of business taxed their time even on holidays and after office hours. They carried on in face of fighting and under constant air raids. One of our staff had to walk hundreds of miles to join our Hankow Branch when evacuating from Nanking. He expressed appreciation of their unfailing loyalty.

After the adoption of the Accounts and Balance Sheet, election of directors, supervisors, and auditors took place. Messrs: Bang How, K. P. Chen, G. E. Mitchell, A. V. T. Dean, S. M. Tong, H. L. Huang, H. T. Smith, H. Y. Yung and J. T. Chu were elected Directors, and Messrs. E. K. Hsu, T. R. Chassels, and Y. L. Yao were elected Supervisors. Messrs. Thomson & Co. were again elected auditors. After a vote of thanks to the chairman, the meeting terminated.

Thurland Castle Refloated

Vessel Reaches Hongkong With Assistance of Tug; Just Escapes Typhoon

Hongkong, May 3.

The steamer Thurland Castle, belonging to Messrs. Cammel Laird & Co., of Liverpool, which went aground at Tungkan Island, 20 miles south of Hongkong, yesterday, arrived in Hongkong this morning under her own steam.

By lightening the vessel and using the tug Henry Keswick to tow her, she was refloated last night.

Meanwhile, the number one typhoon signal had been hoisted here so that the ship had a very narrow escape from a precarious position.

Six round-the-world passengers were taken off the Thurland Castle and brought to Hongkong yesterday by the British destroyer Defender, which went to the aid of the distressed ship after she had sent out an S. O. S.—Reuter.

Mme. Chiang's Appeal To Democracies

"Birmingham Post" Sees Real Progress in China

London, May 2.

China neither asks nor expects Western Powers to fight for her, declares Mme. Chiang Kai-shek today in concluding two vivid articles in the "Birmingham Post" on Japan's invasion of China.

She only asks the peoples of democracies, Mme. Chiang adds, realistically to demonstrate that "undeclared" warfare, "with a revival of barbarism," will not be tolerated, critically to examine Japan's position and actions, and to stand-true in upholding the beliefs and ethical principles they profess.

In a leading article the "Birmingham Post" says that the Chinese soldier is a better man than he has ever been and is improving as the war goes on, while Chinese leadership is wiser and less self-regarding than ever before.

Above, all, the newspaper declares, there is, for the first time, real national union. These factors, it adds, are beginning to tell.

The "Birmingham Post" makes an earnest appeal for wide support for Chinese relief funds as a practical way of helping the Chinese Government with its almost intolerable burden.—Reuter.

British League Union Applauds China

Admiration Expressed at Courage and Endurance

London, May 2.

The Executive Committee of the League of Nations Union, at a meeting over which Lord Cecil presided, today passed a resolution expressing warm admiration for the splendid courage and endurance of the Chinese people in resisting the Japanese.

The Union congratulates China on her recent successes, and trusts that they will continue.

In this great struggle, the resolution adds, the Union recognizes that the Chinese armies are fighting not only for national independence but also for the safety of civilization and the maintenance of peace and order in international relations under rule and law.—Reuter.

THE Information Office of the Staff Workers of the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow Railways, which was opened some time ago to look after the common interests of the workers, will shortly distribute relief funds to them on behalf of the railway administration, says a report to the "Standard." The relief will take the form of advances from the savings accounts in the case of higher personnel and maintenance allowances in the case of workers earning less than $30 a month.

Italian Economic Mission in Shanghai

Headed by Senator Ettore Conti (third from left), the Italian Economic Mission to Japan and Manchoukuo, arrived in Shanghai on Monday on the Conte Verde. Mr. Shinrokuro Hidaka, Japanese Consul-General, on the left, is seen welcoming members of the mission who are leaving for Japan today.

Ewo Cotton Mills Ltd. Hold Annual Meeting

$100,000 Bonus Voted to Staff; Northern District Reopening Hoped For

The Seventeenth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders in the Ewo Cotton Mills Ltd., was held yesterday in the offices of General Managers, 27 The Bund, to receive the report of accounts of the Company to December 31, 1937. Mr. W. J. Keswick presided, supported by Mr. H. Martin Little, Mr. L. J. Davies, Mr. J. H. Liddell, Mr. Zee Quan Yuen, and Mr. Pan Ching Poo, members of the Consulting Committee and Mr. J. R. Mothersill, the secretary. The holders of 154,816 shares were represented at this meeting. The chairman in his speech said:

"It is with a sense of very deep regret that I have to record the death in England, on the sixth of last month, of Mr. Brooke-Smith. Mr. Brooke-Smith was directly connected with the Mills from 1908 to 1926 when he retired. He always had the welfare of the Mills very much at heart and the strong foundation upon which they stand today is in no small measure due to his able administration. With his passing we have all lost a loyal and greatly respected friend.

With your approval I propose as usual to take the Report and Accounts, which have been in your hands for some time, as read. In addressing you today I cannot but recall to mind the concluding remarks of my speech to you last year in which I expressed the hope that during 1937 nothing untoward might happen to mar what at that time certainly looked like brighter days ahead of us. For six months we reaped in full measure the benefits to be derived from those brighter days to which I have alluded. Then came July—a month of anxiety and nervous apprehension—to be followed by those fateful days in August and all it has since meant to this great Country, its Trade and its Commerce.

Report

It is nevertheless with a feeling of satisfaction that I ask you to turn to the Report before you. Despite the tragedies of the last six months of our financial year, you will see that the credit balance on Profit & Loss Account is no less than $2,722,112.86. Considering that the Ewo and Yangtszepoo Mills, our two biggest units, were operating for only 7½ months, I trust you will be pleased with this result. Your Consulting Committee recommends a Dividend of $1.40 on the Ordinary Shares which represents about 20 per cent. on the par value of the shares, while the usual 8 per cent. on the Preference Shares is in accordance with the terms on which these Shares were issued.

Turning first to the Report, you will notice that it is proposed to open a new Account called "Machinery Modernization Account" which will be used for experimental and research work. I have previously emphasized the importance of keeping up to date, and in the past we have had recourse to the Special Repairs and Renewals Account to meet our needs in this connection. I consider however that this latter Fund should be used only for the purpose which its name implies, as it is essential that we should keep abreast of the times. It is therefore proposed this year to allocate $200,000 to this new Account and $150,000 to Special Repairs and Renewals.

Bonus to Staff

It is suggested that the sum of $100,000.00 be allocated to Staff Bonus and Contingencies Account, which is applicable to both the Chinese and Foreign members of our staff. In this connection I think I can state without fear of contradiction that the results of our year's working and the sound position in which we still find ourselves, despite the hostilities, is in no small way due to the devotion to duty and loyalty of our Foreign Staff during the period to which I have just alluded. There was not one single day throughout the period of hostilities that the Mills were not visited by the Foreign Staff and deliveries of cargo were continually effected during a period when shell-fire across the river was a common occurrence. Had it not been for the fine spirit displayed by all to "carry on", our position today might well have been far less satisfactory. I feel sure, under the circumstances, you will agree with me that the Staff are deserving of special recognition and I hope therefore this allocation will meet with your whole-hearted approval.

In regard to the Chinese Superannuation Fund, it is proposed to make an addition of $50,000.

In 1934 and 1935 an amount totalling $448,461.54 was withdrawn from the Equalization of Dividends Reserve and it is proposed to reimburse this Account by the amount of $110,000 which will bring the Reserve up to $1,200,000.

Chinese Government Debts

The Item "Old Debts Due by Chinese Government" has been on the books of the Company since 1922. It appears as an Asset in the Balance Sheeting amounting to $421,882.25 and is inclusive of Principal and Interest, while there is a reserve for the Interest under Liabilities amounting to $279,260.27. I think the present is an opportune time to write off this debt and it is therefore proposed to appropriate $142,622.38 as a reserve against the Principal amount. We shall of course continue to press as before for the liquidation of this outstanding.

Under existing circumstances your Consulting Committee consider it prudent to carry forward this year a larger amount than usual and it is suggested therefore that $188,791.18 be carried forward to the new Account.

The Balance at Credit of Share Premium Account amounts to $1,052,661.71 and it is proposed to appropriate the whole of this sum for Depreciation.

In the Balance Sheet you will notice that the amount standing in Staff Provident Fund has been considerably reduced since our last Meeting. This is due to members of our Foreign Staff availing themselves of the privilege of converting dollar amounts at their credit into Sterling in a Trust Fund which has been established for this purpose.

Chinese Superannuation Fund also shows a considerable reduction. This is due to certain innovations that have been introduced in the system of employing labour at our Mills which has necessitated paying off a large number of old employees. I might add that the change has proved of great benefit in every respect.

Under Assets, you will see that there is a considerable increase in the value of our Stocks. This is a natural outcome of the hostilities. When the trouble started in August we had Contracts extending several months ahead and had already covered ourselves in regard to the Raw Materials required to fulfil these Contracts. With two of our Mills lying idle since August an accumulation of Stocks is therefore only to be expected.

The only other item which I think calls for any comment is "War Damage Claim" amounting to $45,077.45. I shall make reference later as to how it arose, but in the meantime details of the claim have been prepared and we have notified the authorities concerning their responsibility. This concludes all I have to say regarding the Accounts.

Looking back upon the general situation of the Cotton Mill Industry in China in 1937, the year started with a distinctly promising outlook. As an indication of the improved conditions it is perhaps worthy of note that dealers displayed an unusual amount of interest in placing business for forward deliveries during the month preceding Chinese New Year, which is normally a very quiet season. Again, during April, when most Mills would customarily be making to stock, Contracts were concluded for both Yarn and Cloth at satisfactory prices, sufficient to keep Mills fully operating for several months ahead.

There is no doubt that the excellent crops throughout the country in 1936 produced conditions in the piece-goods trade which had not been witnessed for a number of years. And now, gentlemen, I wish to say a few words about the Mills themselves.

Cotton Mills

Ewo and Yangtszepoo Mills, situated in the Eastern District, were forced to close down on the 13th August owing to the impossibility of securing labour, but our Kung Yik Mill in the Western District continued working till the 16th August, when the Power Company were temporarily compelled to curtail supplies of current for industrial purposes. This Mill however resumed work on the 6th September and has been in operation ever since. Towards the end of October hostilities in the area adjacent to the Mill did not deter our Staff, either Foreign or Chinese, from carrying on their duties usual.

Unfortunately it was not found possible to resume operations at Ewo and Yangtszepoo Mills before the close of our Financial year, but I am pleased to inform you that adequate measures were taken for the maintenance of machinery which, considering what might have occurred, has suffered little through lying idle.

On the night of the 18th September and again during early hours of the 21st October, a number of bombs were dropped on Ewo Mill during air raids. Small fires resulted from the bombing on both these nights, but thanks to our Sikh watchmen, who were immediately on the scene, the fires were kept well under control on each occasion until the arrival of the Fire Brigade. I cannot speak too highly of the manner in which our Indian watchman so loyally served the Company's interests throughout those difficult and hazardous days.

A number of small shells, and fragments of shells, also landed within the Mills compounds during the early days of the hostilities, but fortunately caused damage of a superficial nature only.

I cannot let this opportunity pass by without making special mention of the prompt and efficient service we received from the Fire Brigade at a time when their resources were being severely taxed.

Our request, towards the last week in August, for Police protection at Ewo and Yangtszepoo Mills was readily granted and we are most grateful to those Officers and men who carried out their duties under such trying conditions in the best traditions of the Force.

Finally, I should like to express my warmest thanks to the Staff of the Shanghai Waterworks for the courtesy extended to all members of our Foreign Staff and for the help they rendered us throughout the period of hostilities in the Yangtszepoo district.

Prospects

We are suffering in the same way as other industrial and utility companies from the restrictions in the International Settlement, North of the Soochow Creek. Free movement of labour and the housing of operatives in Yangtszepoo is of the greatest importance to us. It is hoped, however, that in the not distant future conditions in this district will return to normal.

Last year I drew attention to the noticeable improvement in China's cotton crop, both in quality and quantity, as the result of measures taken by the Central Government. It would be a great pity if this good work was abandoned and I sincerely trust that when conditions become normal one of the first problems to be tackled by the authorities will be the further improvement of China's Cotton growths.

Well, Gentlemen, I have taken up much of your time and my only regret is that I cannot conclude on that note of optimism which was so apparent at the beginning of last year. Yet, I am not despondent. The recuperative powers of this great country are well known and I firmly believe that this country can and will overcome the difficulties that have beset her.

Two questions were posed to the president after the meeting. Mr. E. Sauer inquired about the debts due by the Chinese Government, and what was done to collect them. He was answered that the debt was the amount due from the Peking Government for a quantity of blankets sold to them in 1922. The difficulty of collecting this debt, was obvious in face of the facts that the Government in question was replaced by Nanking Government and then again superceded by a newly formed Provisional Government.

Mr. Hillally asked what stocks were disposed of during the conflict. The president replied that these were mainly wool, which could not be kept throughout the summer, being considered as seasonal goods.

The following resolutions were passed:—

Resolutions

That the Report and Accounts as presented be passed and that the allocation of profits for the past year be adopted, Proposed by Mr. W. G. Keswick, Seconded by Mr. H. Martin Little.

That the balance at Credit of Share Premium Account at the 31st December, 1937, amounting to $1,052,661.71 be appropriated for Depreciation of Plant and Machinery, Buildings and other Fixed Assets, Proposed by Mr. W. J. Keswick, Seconded by J. H. Liddell.

That Messrs H. Martin Little, L. J. Davies, J. H. Liddell, Zee Quan Yuen, Pan Ching Poo and Yu Ta Ching be re-elected Members of the Consulting Committee, Proposed by Mr. E. Sauer, Seconded by Mr. A. Fiercy.

That Messrs Lowe, Bingham & Matthews be re-elected Auditors of the Company for the ensuing year at the same remuneration as for 1937, Proposed by Mr. Pan Tse Chuen, Seconded by Mr. J. E. Marsh.

Italian Mission to Leave Today

The second Italian Mission to Japan, which arrived here on Monday from Italy in the ss. Conte Verde, sails for Nagasaki at 9 o'clock this morning in the Nippon Yusen Kaisha ss. Shanghai Maru. Yesterday morning, members of the Mission were the guests of the Japanese Army for the usual trip through the war area around Shanghai. Following this, they were the guests of the Italian Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon in the Italian Club, Route Maresca, and in the afternoon of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce at a cocktail reception in the Broadway Mansions.

Japanese Egg Sex Work In Britain Queried

Question on Labour Raised In House of Commons

London, May 3.

The art of establishing the sex of chickens before hatching, in which the Japanese are skilled, and the conditions under which such labour is carried out were brought up in the House of Commons at question time yesterday.

Information on the subject was sought by Mr. Rupert De la Bere, Conservative member for the Evesham division of Worcestershire.

Mr. Alan Lennox-Boyd, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour, said that a number of permits for the employment of Japanese skilled in "chicken sexing" had been granted in recent years.

Twelve such permits, he continued, had been granted since last November for six months each. He understood that there was still a lack of Britons who had attained the necessary proficiency and standard in the profession.

Mr. De la Bere asked if Mr. Lennox-Boyd was aware of the very unfortunate terms on which these Japanese were employed and whether he knew that the rate of pay they received was a very fractional part of the whole sum paid by the poultry keepers.

He also asked if the Parliamentary Labour Secretary did not think that a good deal more enquiry in the matter was required.

In reply, Mr. Lennox-Boyd stated that he had no information that labour conditions were unsatisfactory.

A high degree of skill and the requisite lightness of touch, he added, were more appropriate to Asiatics than to Europeans. (Laughter).—Reuter.

Unrest Rampant in Palestine

Pipe Lines Closed Through Country From Iraq

Jerusalem, May 3.

Numerous atrocities, including attacks on small settlers, firing at omnibuses and attempts to wreck railway lines, have been reported in Palestine in the last few days.

In several cases, the telegraph lines were rendered useless, long pieces of cable being cut out and taken away, making repair exceedingly difficult.

The prevailing opinion is that this frequency of disturbances is intended as a form of protest against the arrival of the new British Partition Commission now travelling throughout the country and being heavily guarded. These new upheavals and the consequent increase in general insecurity have induced the Iraq Petroleum Company to close the pipe lines passing through Palestine. Several engineers of the company have left for Syria to arrange a restriction of the oil export to Tripoli.—Trans-Ocean.

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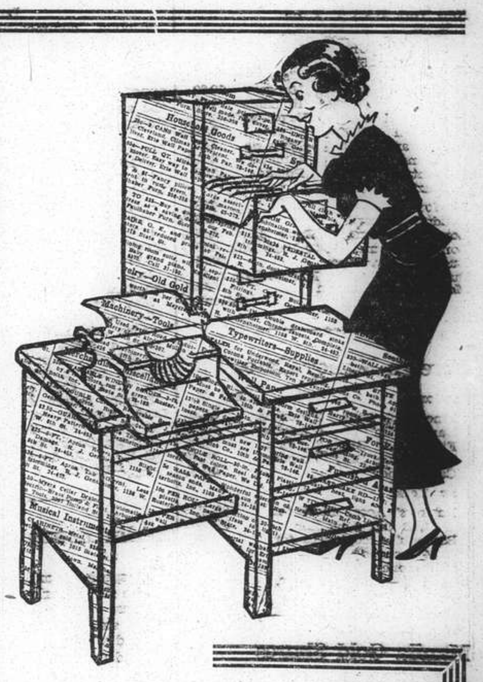

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

TUESDAY, MAY 3, 1938

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 1/-3/4 ..... $ 18.82
U.S. $100 @ 26 1/2 ..... $377.36

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 1/-7/8 ..... $18.640
U.S. $100 @ 26 3/4 ..... $373.83
London—demand 1/-7/8
4 months' sight credits 1/-15/16
4 months' sight docts 1/1
6 months' sight credits 1/-31/32
6 months' sight docts 1/1 3/32
New York—demand ..... U.S. $26 3/4
4 months' sight credits 26 7/8
4 months' sight docts 27
Paris—4 months' sight docts Fcs. nom.

CLOSING RATES

Sterling ..... 1/1 5/32 U.S. $26 7/16

Canadian Exchange

Canadian $100 @ 26 3/8 = $379.15

Netherlands Trading Society

Java Guilders $100 ..... Buying 48 7/8
Netherlands Guilders $100 .. „ 49
Java Guilders $100 ..... Selling 48 1/8
Netherlands Guilders $100 .. „ 48 1/4

National City Bank of New York

Selling U.S.$1 = $3.7915 £1 = $15.916
Buying U.S.$1 = $3.7209 £1 = $15.551

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying U.S.$100 = $370.37 £1 = $18.46
Selling U.S.$100 = $377.36 £1 = $18.82

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 1.56 = $1 Belgas 29.51 = £1

Italian Bank For China

It. Lire 4.90 = $1 Swiss F. 1.14 = $1
Tourist Lire 5.42 ..... = $1

Other Quotations

Berlin-Hamburg T.T. $100 = Rm. 66.00
$100 = Reg. Mk. 130.00

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest 1/-3/4	Lowest 1/-1/2
U.S. G.$	26 1/2	26
Yen	—	—

MERCHANTS CLOSING RATES

	SELLING		BUYING
Cash			May
£ T.T.	1/-1/2	4 m/s. l.c.	1/-13/16
G.$ T.T.	26	4 m/s. l.c.	26 3/8
Fcs. T.T.	847	4 m/s.	880
Rs T.T.	69 1/2	7 d/s.	70 1/4

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	18 1/8	18 1/2
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	49.05	—
Bombay offtake 150 bars		

London silver was 1/8 up both ready and forward, being 18 1/8 for ready and 18 1/2 forward. New York was unchanged at 42 3/4 and Bombay was 3 annas up at 49.05.

It was reported speculators and India bought. Sellers reserved. Market steady. After the official fixing the market steady with buyers at the fixed rate. Sellers were holding back.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 1/0 3/4 and 26 1/2 U.S.$.

The Interbank market was active opening uncertain with nominal sellers at 1/0 3/4 sterling and 26 1/2 U.S $ for cash. During the morning interest centred upon May delivery and with heavy buying the market declined sharply to buyers at 1/0 1/2 sterling and 26.– U.S.$ for cash. Towards the close there was some improvement and there were sellers at the close at.

Cash 1/0 1/2 Sterling and 26 3/8 U.S.$
May 1/0 1/2 Sterling and 26.– U.S.$

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay Rupee T. T. on: May 2.

Japan	78 1/2	London	1/5 61/64
New York	26 3/8	„ 2 mths	
Shanghai	74	„ (sellers)	1/5 13/16
Hongkong	84 3/4	„ (buyers)	1/5 3/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	493.62c.	Shanghai	1/1 N
Paris	162.75	Bombay	1/5 3/32
Berlin	12.40	Hongkong	1/3
Amsterdam	8.95 15/16	Singapore	2/4
Brussels	29.59 3/4	Yokohama	1/2 61/64
Madrid	79.00 N	„ (buying)	1/1 63/64
Milan	94.77	C'slovakia	143.18
Berne	21.68		

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.21 1/2	Japan	29.09
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	26.87
Holland	55.66	Austria	Unq.
Paris	3.06 1/2	C'slovakia	3.48 1/2
Brussels	16.84 1/2	Hungary	19.90
Italy	5.26 1/4	Rumania	0.74
S'zerland	23.01	Yugo Slavia	2.32
Sweden	25.72 1/2	Greece	0.91 1/2
Norway	25.07 1/2	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	22.27 1/2	Finland	2.20 3/4
Montreal	99.470	Poland	18.89
Brazil	5.90		

London	4.98 13/16
London Demand	4.98 1/16
London Bankers' 60 Days Bills	4.98 3/32
London Commercial 60 Days Bills	4.98 3/32
Buenos Aires, Paper	30.94
Buenos Aires, Paper Market Rate	26.17
Montreal on London	5.01 1/2

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: May 2.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	0 9/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	0 5/8%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2 1/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	2 3/4%
Call Money		0 1/2%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/2% B 0 7/16% A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16% B 0 1/2% A
Call money	1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Closing Bids in Pesos)

	Apr. 30	May 2
Antamok	.49	.49
Atok	.24	.25
Benguet Consolidated	9.40	9.40
Consolidated Mines	Unq.	Unq.
Demonstration	.34	Unq.
Mine Operations	.11	.11
San Mauricio	.49	.48
United Paracale	Unq.	Unq.

Turnover: 91,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (closing prices): 83.23

Silver Quotations

London, May 3.

Silver prices declined slightly today, with quotations being fixed at:—

	May 2	May 3
London spot	18 1/16 d.	18 d.
„ forward	18 1/2 d.	18 7/16 d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$4.98 1/16	$4.98 3/4
One U.S. dollar	48.126d.	48.120d.
Gold	139/6 1/2 d.	139/6d.

—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

While the undertone of the market remains steady to firm the turnover is small, sellers are reserved and little is offering.

Morning Session

OFFICIAL

	CASH
2,000 Tebong	$ 0.70

UNOFFICIAL

5 Union Insurance	Hk.$528.00

Afternoon Session

OFFICIAL

1,000 Tanah Merah	$ 1.50
500 Langkat	$ 5.00
500 Ewo Mills (Ord)	$ 14.50
Morning Session	3,005
Afternoon Session	2,000
Total	4.005

Official Indexes

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

	May 2	3	Change
S'hai Rub. Share	200.76	198.46	Off 2.30
S'hai Gen. Stock	43.37*	**	—
Chi. Govt. Bond	101.61*	Closed	—

*—August 13, 1937.
**—Compilation Temporarily suspended until active trading resumed.

London Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, May 2.

Conditions on the stock exchange today were dull, in sympathy with week-end Wall Street advices and uncertainties over European politics.

British gilt-edged securities, however, ruled firm, while Chinese loans were higher on reports of an Anglo-Japanese Customs agreement.—Reuter.

	Apr. 29	May 2
War Loan 3 1/2% (Red.)	£101 7/16	101 1/8

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	47 1/4	47 1/4
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	57 1/4	57 1/4

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Iron founders	23/-	23/6
Armstrong, Stevens	7/-	7/-
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	38/4 1/2	37/10 1/2
Austin Motors, ord.	28/9	28/11 1/2
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	51/7 1/2	51/9
British-American Tob.	105/7 1/2	105/7 1/2
Cable & W., new form	61	60 1/2
Cammell Laird, ord.	8/9	8/3
Courtaulds	40/6	40/-
Distillers	96/3	94/9
Dunlop Rubber	30/-	29/6
General Elec. (Eng.)	75/4 1/2	74/4 1/2
Guinness (A.) Son & Co.	119/6	119/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	29	28/3
Imp. Chem. Indus.	32/-	32/-
Imp. Tobacco	135/7 1/2	135/7 1/2
Leyland Motors	85/7 1/2	85/-
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	57/6	60/-
Pressed Steel. com.	16/9	16/-
Rolls-Royce	91/10 1/2	91/3
Smethwick Drop Forgings	20/6	20/6
Tate & Lyle	79/9	79/9
Turner & Newall	81/10 1/2	82/-
United Steel	26/7 1/2	25/9
Vickers, ord.	23/6	23/3
Woolworths	64/6	64/3

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	25/6	25/-
Rubber Pltn. Invest.	24/6	24/3

MINES

Burma Corp.	10/-	9/9
Commonwealth Min.	1/9	1/7 1/2
Exploration Co.	2/3	2/3
Marsman Invest.	11/-	10/7 1/2
Randfontein Ests.	35/6	35/-
Sub-Nigel	203/1 1/2	201/10 1/2
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.

OILS

Anglo Iranian	80/7 1/2	80/-
Burmah	118/11 1/2	116/10 1/2
Mexican Eagle	4/3	4/6
Shell Trans. & Trad.	85/-	83/11 1/2

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4 1/2% Gold Loan, 1898	£80	83
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	75 1/2	77 1/2
4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan	92	93
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	55	56
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	63 1/2	65 1/2
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	19 1/2	19 1/2
5% Honan Rly., 1905	45	45
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	33	33
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	21 1/2	22
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	42	42
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly., B.	27	28 1/2
5% „ „ G.	27	28 1/2
5% „ „ (Suppl. Loan) B.	27	28 1/2
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	27	28 1/2
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	23 1/2	23 1/2
S'hai Elec. Construction	36/- N	36/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	24 1/2 N	24 1/2 N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	39 1/2 N	30 1/2 N
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	12 1/2	12 1/2
H. & S. Bank (Idn. Reg.)	92	92
„ „ (Col. Reg.)	95	95
Chinese Eng. & Min.	15/6	15/6
Chosen Corp.	7/6	8/1 1/2
Pekin Syndicate	2/9 N	2/9 N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	22/6	21/10 1/2

N—Nominal.

British Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

London, May 2.

Among commodities, cocoa encountered considerable liquidation, but closed above the day's lowest levels, while tin ruled weak on disappointing Wall Street cables and the sharp rise in the world's visible stocks during April.

London Rubber: Spot buyers 5 1/16 —1/16; sellers 5 1/8 —1/16. June del. buyers 5 1/2 —1/16; sellers 5 9/16 —1/16.
London Sugar (Buyers) May 4/11 1/4 —1 1/2; Aug. 4/11 1/4 —1 1/2. Dec. 5/1, —1 1/4.
Liverpool Wheat: May 6/8 1/2 —1/8; July 6/7 7/8 +3/8; Oct. 6/5 7/8 +3/8.
Liverpool Cotton: Amer. Futures May 4.63—1; July 4.73 —1; Oct. 4.85 —2; Jan. 4.91 —3.
Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) May 6.28 —16; July 6.47 —12; Sept. 6.47 —12; Oct. 6.67 —8.
London Metals: Copper, Stan. Cash sellers £38 5/8 —1/4; 3 mths sellers £38 7/8 —1/4. Electrolytic buyers £42 1/2 —1 1/4; sellers £43 1/2 —3/4.
Tin, Stan. Cash sellers £155 1/2 —6 1/4; 3 mths sellers £156 1/4 —6 7/8.
Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £ 14 3/4 —1/4; 3 mths sellers £14 7/8 —1/4. Spelter, Ordinary, official price sellers £ 12 1/16 —1 1/16; 3 mths del. sellers £12 5/8 —1 3/16.—Reuter.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, May 2.

No special stimulus made itself felt on the share market yesterday so that business remained quiet, transactions being small and few. No definite trend developed as both bank customers and operators were very reserved but in the case of many leading shares prices were somewhat firmer. AEG. and Dye Trust shares were in demand. Minings, potashes and electrics were noticeably firm.

Fixed interest securities were friendly, Reichs Old Liquidation Loan advancing 3/8 to 133. Gold mortgage bonds remained unchanged in price. In industrial bonds, Dye Trusts rose 1/4 to 131, Harpeners declined 1/8 to 126 1/8, Krupps jumped 7/8 to 102 7/8.

Call money stood at 3 to 3 1/4 per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

Reichsmark Quotations

Berlin, May 2.

The following were today's Reichsmark quotations: New York 40.22, Paris 1318.5, Amsterdam 72.20 to 72.23, London 12.40.

Paris quoted sterling at 162.88 to 163.13 and the U.S. dollar at 32.675 to 32.70.—Trans-Ocean.

New York Stocks

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 2.

Stock prices on Wall Street today declined up to about 2 points on pump-priming being relegated to the back-ground, and, with the business outlook still cloudy, the market remained in the doldrums. Steels were heavy on the publication "steel" showing but little indication of any upward movement, while chemicals were under pressure. Aircrafts eased, while, in view of the bright outlook, rails mostly resisted on hopes that their position will improve on the proposed wage cut. The turnover today amounted to only 350,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	110.55	109.40	110.09	—1.19
20 Rails	21.67	20.85	20.95	—0.31
20 Utilities	17.85	17.67	17.80	—0.19
40 Bonds	——	——	86.26	+0.03
11 Commod.	——	——	48.33	—0.51

	Apr. 30	May 2
Adams Express	8	8
Alleghany Steel Co.	B 14 3/4	15 1/2
Allis Chalmers	40 1/8	38 7/8
Amer. Can.	85	83
Amer. Cyanamid "B"	17	16 3/4
Amer. & For. Power	B 3 1/8	3 1/8
„ „ $7 pfd.	B 16 3/8	B 15 5/8
Amer. Locomotive	B 16	15
Amer. Metals	B 28	28 1/2
Amer. Radiator	11 7/8	11 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	16 1/2	15 3/4
Amer. Smelting	35 1/2	34 7/8
Amer. Sugar Refining	B 26	B 26
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	126 1/2	125 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	B 68	68
Amer. Waterworks	7 3/4	7 5/8
Anaconda Copper	26 3/8	26
Atchison, T. & S. Fe.	26 1/4	25 1/4
Atlas Corp.	7	6 5/8
Auburn	B 3 1/4	B 3 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	5 1/4	5 1/4
„ pfd.	6	6 3/8
Barber Co.	B 15 3/4	15 3/4
Barnsdall Oil Co.	13 1/4	13 1/8
Bethlehem Steel	45 3/4	45 1/8
Boeing Airplane Co.	26 3/4	25 1/4
Borden Co.	16	15 7/8
Borg Warner	21 3/4	20
Briggs Manufacturing Co.	17 1/2	17 1/8
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	6 3/4	6 5/8
„ „ $6 cum. pfd.	B 19 1/8	19
Case, J.I.	75 5/8	74 3/4
Can. Pacific Rly.	6 1/4	6
Celanese Corp.	13 3/4	13 1/2
Cerro de Pasco	34 1/2	33 3/4
Chase Nat. Bank	B 30	B. 29 5/8
Chesapeake Corp.	B 30	31
Chesapeake & Ohio	26 1/2	26 1/8
Chrysler	40 1/8	39 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	5 1/2	5 5/8
„ „ "A" pfd.	57 1/2	B 56
Coml. Credit	29	28 1/4
Coml. Solvents	6 3/4	6 3/4
Comm. & Southern	1 1/4	1 3/8
„ „ $6 cum.	B 33 1/4	34
Consolid. Edison	21 1/2	21 1/8
Consolid. Oil	8 3/4	8 3/8
Continental Can	37 3/8	37 1/2
Continental Oil	27	26 1/2
Corn Products	B 61	61 3/4
Curtis Wright	4 5/8	4 5/8
„ „ "A"	18 1/4	18 1/8
Delaware & Hudson	8 3/4	8 3/4
Delaware, Lackawanna	5 1/4	5 1/4
Deere Co.	18 3/8	18 1/4
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	13 1/8	13
Douglas Aircraft	42 3/8	42 1/4
Du Pont de Nemours	96 7/8	96
Eagle Picher Lead	9	8 5/8
Elec. Boat Co.	7 7/8	8
Elec. Bond & Sh.	6 1/4	6 1/8
„ „ $5 pfd.	B 43 1/4	B 43 1/4
„ „ $6 pfd.	46	46
Elec. Power & Lt.	8 1/4	8 1/4
„ „ 7% pfd.	28	27 3/4
Flintkote Co.	15 1/4	14 7/8
Freeport Sulphur	25 1/8	25 1/4
Gen. Amer. Trans.	34	B 33
Gen. Cigar	B 22 3/4	B 22
Gen. Elec.	32 1/8	31 5/8
Gen. Foods	26 1/4	25 7/8
Gen. Motors	29 1/2	28 7/8
Gen. Rail. Signal	17	17
Glidden	18 1/4	17 3/4
Goodrich (B.F.)	13 1/2	12 7/8
„ $5 pfd.	B 42	42
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	18 1/4	17 1/2
Great Northern Railway	14 3/4	14 3/4
Great Western Sugar	B 27	27 1/8
Greyhound Corporation	9 1/4	9 1/8
Hecker Products	6 3/8	6 3/8
Humble Oil	B 66 1/2	B 66 7/8
International Nickel	44 5/8	44 1/8
Int. Tel. & Tel.	7 3/4	7 3/4
Interstate Department	B 7 1/2	7 5/8
Kennecott Copper	32 1/8	31 3/4
Lambert Co.	10 1/2	B 10 5/8
Libby Owens Ford Glass	27 1/4	26 1/4
Lockheed Aircraft	8 1/2	8 1/4
Loew's Inc.	39 3/4	39 3/4
Lorillard	16	15 3/8
McKesson & Robbins Inc.	32	B 30 5/8
Martin, Glenn L.	21 1/2	21 1/8
Monsanto Chemical	B 67 1/4	67 1/4
Montgomery Ward	30 1/4	29 5/8
Nat. Bond & Investment	B 12 1/2	B 12 1/2
Nat. Cash Register	16 1/4	16 1/2
Nat. City Bank	B 23 7/8	B 23 3/8
Nat. Dairy Products	12 3/4	12 1/2
Nat. Distillers	19 3/8	19
Nat. Power & Light	6 3/8	6 1/2
Nat. Supply Co.	16 7/8	16 1/4
New York Central	11 7/8	11 5/8
Niagara Hudson & Power	B 6 5/8	6 7/8
North American Aviation	8 1/2	8 3/8
North Amer. Co.	16 1/2	16 1/4
Northern Pacific	7 1/2	7 1/4
Pacific Gas & Elec.	B 25	B 25
Pacific Lighting	B 34	34
Packard Motors	3 7/8	3 7/8
Paramount Pictures Inc.	7 1/2	7 3/8
„ 1st pfd.	B 74	B 74
Pennsylvania Railroad	15 5/8	15 3/8
Phillips Petroleum	32 3/4	32 5/8
Public Service of New J.	27 3/8	27 1/8
Pure Oil	10	9 3/4
„ „ 5% conv.	B 77 1/4	B 77
Radio Corp. of Amer.	5 3/4	5 7/8
Republic Steel Corp.	13 1/4	13
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	37	36 3/4
Schenley Distillers	16 5/8	15 5/8
„ „ 5 1/2% pfd.	B 65	B 66
Sears Roebuck	56 1/8	54 3/4
Shell Union Oil	13 1/4	12
Socony Vacuum	13 1/4	13 1/8
South. Calif. Edison	B 21	21 5/8
Southern Pacific	11 7/8	11
Southern Railway	7	6 3/4
„ $5 pfd.	10	10
Standard Brands	7 1/8	7 1/8
Standard Gas	3	2 7/8
„ „ $7 pfd.	17	16 3/8
Standard Oil of New J.	45 5/8	45 3/4
Sterling Products	B 58 1/8	57 1/8
Studebaker	4 3/4	4 7/8
Swift International	25	25
Technicolor	B 18 5/8	18 5/8
Texas Corporation	36 3/4	36
Texas Gulf Sulphur	B 29 1/4	29
Tide Water Associated	13 3/8	13
Transamerica	9 7/8	9 3/4
Twentieth-Century-Fox	B 21	21
„ pfd.	B 30	30
Union Carbide & Carbon	63	62 1/2
Union Pacific	62	59 1/2
United Aircraft (New)	25 3/8	25 1/2
United Air Lines Transport	7 3/8	7 1/4
United Corporation	2 1/2	2 5/8
„ $3 cum. pfd.	26	25 1/2
United Gas Corporation	B 3 3/8	3 1/4
United Gas Improvement	9 7/8	9 3/4
United Light & Power Co.	9 1/4	9 1/8
U. S. Industrial Alcohol	16 1/4	B 16
U. S. Rubber	25 5/8	25 1/8
„ „ 8% non-cum.	B 67	66 1/2
U. S. Smelting, Refining	B 54 1/8	B 54 1/4
U. S. Steel	42 3/4	42 1/4
Vanadium	B 14 3/8	14 1/4
Warner Bros. Pictures	6	4 3/4
Westinghouse Elec.	70 1/2	69 3/4
Woodward Iron	B 12 1/4	12 1/8
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	30 1/2	29 5/8
BONDS		
Amer. & For. Power	47	47 1/4
Brazil (U.S. of)	13 1/4	13
Chic. Mil. Stp. & Pac.	8 1/2	8 3/4
Cities Service Power	55	55
Int. Tel. & Tel. 4 1/2s	83 1/2	84 1/8
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	57	57
New England Gas	49 1/8	49 5/8
Peru 6s 1961	8 1/8	B 8 3/8
Standard Gas & Elec.	45 1/2	45 1/2

B.—Bid.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

By Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Traders on the Stock Exchange today continued to adopt a waiting attitude. Business news again was lower. The Iron and Steel Institute placed steel operations at 30.7 per cent of capacity, and further decline of automobile output of several companies was predicted. Several companies have omitted and lowered dividends, while some poor corporation reports were noted. Most brokers were bearish on the theory that the market trend in the immediate future is governed by the lower business tendency. However, the outlook in some consumers' goods industries is slightly better. At present the market is worried over President Roosevelt's intervention in the House fight over the Wage-Hour Bill.

Japanese Govt. Bonds

Osaka, May 3.

Kogo 5% Y.103.01

—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Monday's Closing Quotations

New York, May 2.

The cotton market early declined on Liverpool cables, a lower stock market, favourable weather, Liverpool selling on differences, liquidation, price-fixing and selling. The poor spot demand discouraged buying of near months, and, as a result, there was considerable July liquidation and exchanging. Finally, the market closed steady, with quotations ranging from 9 to 11 points down.

The early easiness of the rubber market today was due to lower cables and liquidation, which was absorbed by foreign dealers. Later, the market recovered on factory buying. Offerings were light. At the last call-over, gains of 9 to 13 points were recorded.

Wheat prices in Chicago touched new lows for the season on the expectations of large crop estimates, favourable week-end weather in Canada and the American belts, helpful rains in points of Europe which prompted liquidation, the easiness of Wall Street advices and the continued slack international demand. Disappointing foreign markets also contributed to the dullness. At the final bell, losses of 1 1/4 to 1 3/8 cents were registered.

Despite easier London cables, the sugar market early ruled steady on Cuban buying and scattered covering, but later turned quiet still reflecting the disappointing 5 per cent. quota cut by the International Sugar Council. At the close, quotations were from a 1/2 to 1 1/2 points up.

Although cables were not encouraging and April consumption figures disappointing, there was no pressure on the silk market, due to small offerings. Interest was slack, and the market finally closed very quiet. Closing quotations were from 1 cent down to 1 1/2 cents up.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber	
July	8.67-67	—11	July	11.43-46 +09
Oct.	8.75-75	—11		B/A
Dec.	8.77-77	—09	Sept.	11.61/61 +13
Jan.	8.78 N	—11	Dec.	11.76-76 +09
Mar.	8.84/84	—10	Jan.	11.81 N +09

New York Sugar No. 4		New York Silk	
Sept.	0.92 1/2-94 B/A	+1/2 May	1.53-53 +1 1/2

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
July	77 3/8-77 3/8	—1 3/8	July 58 3/8-58 3/4 —1
Sept.	78 3/8-78 3/4	—1 1/4	Sept. 59 3/4-59 7/8 —1 1/8

Winnipeg Wheat	Montreal Silver
Market Closed.	May 40.40-2.60 —30. B/A

A—Asked B—Bid.—Reuter.

British Rubber Stocks

London, May 2.

Stocks of rubber in Great Britain on April 30 were estimated at 82,644 tons, showing an increase of 1,701 tons over the previous week.

The stock of rubber in London on April 30 totalled 54,292 tons, showing an increase of 794 tons, while the stock at Liverpool was listed at 28,352 tons, representing an increase of 907 tons.

British rubber deliveries during the week ended April 30 totalled 965 tons, compared with 1,281 tons during the previous week.

Deliveries in London during this period totalled 590 tons, compared with 917 tons during the previous week—a decrease of 327 tons.

Liverpool deliveries, with a total of 375 tons, revealed an increase of 11 tons over the previous week.—Reuter.

Federal Reserve System

New York, May 2.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve system, in their report for the week ended April 30 respecting the entire body of reporting member banks of the system, reveal an increase of $2,000,000 on total loans compared with the previous week, but show a decrease of $841,000,000 from the corresponding period of last year.

Investments show an increase of $33,000,000 over last week, but a decrease of $517,000,000 compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Total loans during the period under review amounted to $8,587,000,000 and investments $12,257,000,000.—Reuter.

Steel Mill Operations

New York, May 2.

Steel mill activity in the United States for the week ended April 30 was placed at 30.7 per cent. of capacity, according to the weekly report of the American Iron and Steel Institute, published today.

This compares with 32.0 per cent. of capacity last week and 91.0 per cent of capacity for the corresponding period of last year, showing increases of 1.3 per cent. of capacity and 60.3 per cent. of capacity respectively, compared with the figure for the week under review.—Reuter.

Goodyear Pays Dividend

New York, May 2.

The Goodyear Tire and Rubber Corporation today paid a regular quarterly dividend of U.S.$1.25 on five per cent. preferred shares but did not act on common stock because of the "uncertainty of business conditions and the future course of taxes."—United Press.

General Motors Dividend

New York, May 2.

Directors of the General Motors Corporation today voted a dividend of 25 cents per common share although the first quarter earnings for 1938 were equivalent only to fourteen cents each share.—United Press.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Aphis	Br.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Sandwich	Br.	Slp.	B.N.B.
Augusta	Am.	Cr.	O.H.S.B.
Bulmer	Am.	Dest.	O.F.B.
Isabel	Am.	Slp.	U.S.N.B.
Oahu	Am.	Gbt.	—
Tulsa	Am.	Slp.	U.S.N.B.
Sav. de Brazza	Fr.	Slp.	F.N.B.
E. Carlotto	Ital.	Gbt.	O.F.B.
Lepanto	Ital.	Gbt.	O.F.B.
Anyo M.	Jap.	Tr.	N.Y.K.W.W.
Aso M.	Jap.	Hosp.	D.K.K.W.W.
Asahi	Jap.	Gbt.	7/8 B.
Idzumo	Jap.	Cr.	N.Y.K.M.W.
Hatsukari	Jap.	Dest.	1/2 B.
Mansan M.	Jap.	Tr.	C.M.C.W.
Mikage M.	Jap.	Tr.	N.Y.K.M.W.
Shinyui M.	Jap.	Tr.	O.S.K.Y.W.
Taito M.	Jap.	Tr.	N.Y.K.P.W.
Tomito M.	Jap.	Tr.	O.S.K.Y.W.
Destroyer 21	Jap.	Dest.	1/2 B.

Belga Currency

Brussels, May 3.

A declaration of a well-known Belgian financier published in the Antwerp newspaper "Metropole" yesterday indicates that very shortly, probably within the next fortnight, the Belga will cease to be a currency of Belgium.

The Belgian Government, the National Bank and the Supreme Finance Council, it is added, had all in turn discussed the matter exhaustively. In an agreement with business circles, it was decided that the difficulties arising from having two units simultaneously—Belga and Franc—must be eliminated.—Trans-Ocean.

A.F.O.L. Revokes Charters

Washington, May 2.

The American Federation of Labour's executive council today revoked charters for the Committee for Industrial Organization's Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Amalgamated Association of Iron, Tin and Steel Workers, United Textile Workers, United Automobile Workers, United Rubber Workers and the International Union of Oilfield and Gaswell Refinery Workers.—United Press.

Socony Pays Dividend

New York, May 2.

The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey today paid an extra fifty cents on a regular six-month dividend of fifty cents.—United Press.

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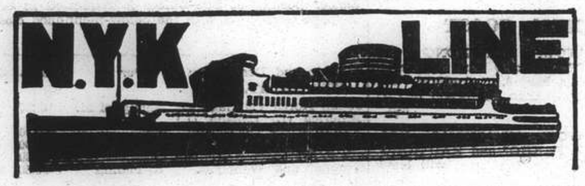

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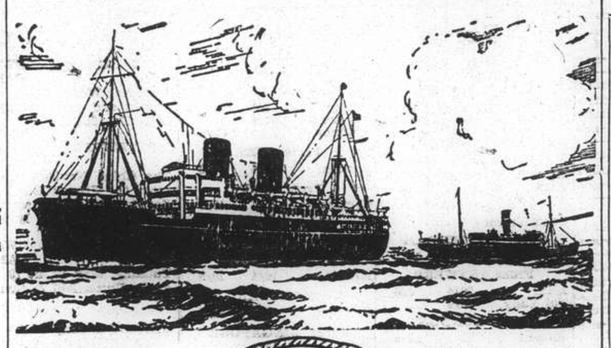

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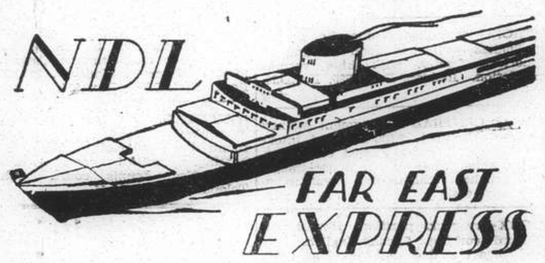

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Preussen	1/5	22/5

From SINGAPORE

Tirranna	27/4	8/5
Tanda	2/5	9/5
Memnon	30/4	15/5

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From VANCOUVER

Ixion	3/5	28/5

From NEW YORK

Fairf'ld City	—	7/5
Silverwalnut	—	9/5
Lossiebank	7/4	29/5
Steel Navigator	—	30/5
C. Kimberley	16/4	14/6

From HAMPTON ROADS

Triton	1/5	11/6

From SAVANNAH

Myrmidon	1/5	15/6

From LOS ANGELES

Toulouse	17/4	14/5
C. Derby	12/4	19/5
Grey. Castle	30/4	27/5

From OTARU

Deucalion	3/5	14/5

From MIIKE

Tyndareus	3/5	5/5

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From DURBAN

Bontekoe	10/4	13/5

From MELBOURNE

Nankin	4/5	8/6

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN

Tsingtao M.	2/5	5/5
Hoten M.	6/5	9/5

From TIENTSIN

Hunan	1/5	5/5
Fausang	—	6/5
Tingsang	—	9/5
Fooshing	—	11/5

From TSINGTAO

Ninghai	2/5	5/5

From HSIN KONG

Kungwo	4/5	5/5

From HONGKONG

Frankfurt	1/5	4/5
Shantung	1/5	5/5
Kiangsu	3/5	7/5
Ramses	3/5	8/5
Tsinan	4/5	9/5
Changon	—	10/5
Chaksang	—	12/5

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

SHENGKING May 4. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Wednesday, May 4, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 4-5

HUNAN May 7. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, May 7, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 7-5

CHANGON May 12. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, May 12. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 12-5

SOUTH CHINA COAST

HSIN PEKING May 4. NINGPO.—From French Bund on Wednesday, May 4, at 4 p.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 4-5

LEESANG May 4. WENCHOW, SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Wednesday, May 4, at 3 p.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 4-4

LUCHOW May 5. FOOCHOW and WENCHOW.—From French Bund on Thursday, May 5, at 2 p.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 5-5

TJISADANE May 5. AMOY, HONGKONG, MANILA, CEBU, MACASSAR, BALI, SOERABAIA and JAVA N.C.—The J.C.J.L. ms. Tjisadane sails from A.P.C. Lower Wharf, Pootung on Thursday, May 5, at 11 a.m. taking cargo to Java and transhipment in Java. Excellent passenger accommodation. Passengers' tender "Scot I" leaves Customs Jetty at 9.30 a.m. Through tickets issued to European, Australian and African Ports. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. 16247 (4 Lines). 4-5

NINGHAI May 6. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—From French Bund on Friday, May 6, at 2 p.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 6-5

Vessels Leaving

SOUTH CHINA COAST

FAUSANG May 8. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Sunday, May 8, at daylight. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 8-5

SHANTUNG May 8. SWATOW, HONGKONG, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG. The China Navigation Co.'s ss. Shantung, will leave from the French Bund on Sunday, May 8, at 8 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 7-5

KIANGSU May 10. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—From French Bund on Tuesday, May 10, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 10-5

TINGSANG May 11. SWATOW, HONGKONG and CANTON.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Wednesday, May 11. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 11-5

JAPAN

TANDA May 10. (From Shanghai) MOJI, KOBE, OSAKA and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11423 (3 lines). 10-5

STRAITS AND EUROPE

CORFU May 10. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender will leave the Customs Jetty at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, 1938. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 10-5

FELIX ROUSSEL May 10. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG, SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 10-5

GLENOGLE May 10. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 10-5

TRICOLOR May 11. CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PORT SAID.—Motor vessel Tricolor of the Wilhelmsen Lines will be despatched from Shanghai on May 11 p.m. for the above mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodweil & Co., Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 11-5

BURGENLAND May 12. (on or about) GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM and HAMBURG.—Captain Schladebach. For freight and passage please apply to Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Filiale Schanghai, 20 Canton Road. Tel. 18709. 12-5

DEUCALION May 15. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, GLASGOW Via ADEN.—For freight and pascages apply to Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 15-5

GNEISENAU May 27. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 27-5

AUSTRALASIA

NELLORE May 6. (From Hongkong) SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund, Tel. No. 11428. 6-5

TANDA May 10. (From Shanghai) BABAUL, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via JAPAN and PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 10-5

TAIPING May 17. (From Hongkong) MANILA, THURSDAY I., CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.—Australia-Oriental Line Ltd. Agents. Butterfield & Swire, French Bund. Tel. 82020. 17-4

Vessels Discharging

GLENIFFER. From London arrived on May 1, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on May 11, 1938. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Wednesday, May 4, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Inward Agents. 5-5

Post Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times.

Date and Destination	Per		Reg.	Ord.
WEDNESDAY, May 4.				
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Shanghai M.		*19.00	7.15
America (L) Canada (L) Europe (L) via Pacific	Shanghai M.		*19.00	7.15
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Shengking		*19.00	7.30
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Shengking		*19.00	7.30
Tinghai and Wenchow	C. Paolini		10.30	11.00
Nanking (Z)	Hozan M.	A	—	—
Wenchow Swatow Hongkong and Canton	Leesang		12.00	12.30
Ningpo	Hsin Peking		12.30	13.00
Wenchow	Minho		14.30	15.00
THURSDAY, May 5.				
Amoy H'kong (Y) Aust. N.Z. (Y) Manila (Y) Java Parts	Tjisadane	B	*19.00	7.30
Aust. N.Z. Manila S.S. Ceylon India Suez and Europe via Suez	Conte Verde	c	*19.00	8.30
Hongkong and Canton	C. Verde		8.00	8.30
Ningpo	Mohlenhof		10.30	11.00
Wenchow	Don Pedro		10.30	11.00
Foochow and Wenchow	Luchow		11.00	11.30
Kiangpei Offices east of Haian	Tejo		16.30	17.00
FRIDAY, May 6.				
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.		*19.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung	Canton M.		*19.00	7.15
Tsingtao and Dairen	Tsingtao M.		8.00	8.30
Ningpo	Tembien		10.30	11.00
Swatow Hongkong Canton	Ninghai		11.00	11.30

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Nanking, closes at 16.00 on 4th.
B Parcel mail for Netherlands India, closes at 16.00 on 4th.
C Parcel mail for S.S., F.M.S., Ceylon, India, Egypt, E-Sondan, Italy and other countries, closes at 16.00 on 4th.
L Light mail only.
Y Superscribed correspondence.
Z Parcels only.

Mails for Europe

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin for transmission, Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:
ss. Conte Verde, via Suez, May 5, due London May 31.
ss. Felix Roussel, via Suez, May 9, due London June 11.
ss. Corfu, via Suez, May 10, due London June 11.

Air Mails Abroad

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per s.s. Conte Verde, at 8.30 on May 5, due Marseilles and London on May 16.
Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per s.s. Conte Verde, at 8.30 a.m. on May 5, and due San Francisco on May 17.
Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per s.s. Conte Verde, at 8.30 a.m. on May 5, and due Amsterdam on May 19, and London on May 20.
Air France (Saigon-Marseilles Line) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.
Air France (China-Hanoi-Marseilles Lines) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission via Canton.

Train Mail

Light mails for Wuhu, Nanking, Chinkiang and Wutsin close daily at 7.30 p.m.
Light mails for or via Kiangpei Offices west and north of Haian via Chinkiang close daily at 7.30 p.m.
Light mails for or via River Ports from Anking upwards per available steamer via Canton.
Light mails for or via T.P.R. (north of Tsinan) and North Pinghan per available steamer via Tientsin; for Kiaotsi Line and T.R.P. (south of Tsinan) per available steamer via Tsingtao.
Light mails for or via Lunghai Line and South Pinghan per available steamer via Canton.
Light mails for or via S.H.N.R. per available steamer via Ninghsien.

Domestic Air Mail

For or via C.N.A.C. planes on Kiukiang-Hankow-Kweilin-Changsha - Chungking-Chengtu-Hongkong Lines sent to Hongkong for further transmission.
For or via Eurasia Aviation Corporation planes on Sian-Hongkong and Sian-Hanoi Lines sent to Hongkong for further transmission.

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